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Hospital beds: campaign group's bid for judicial review is over

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HONITON'S Save Our Hospital Services steering group will no longer be pursuing a judicial review into the closure of inpatient beds at the town's community hospital.

The steering group recently sent a pre-action letter to the NEW Devon CCG about four possible grounds for a judicial review.

The CCG response provided some additional information but not as much as was needed to determine if the grounds for the judicial review were sufficiently evidenced – there needs to be compelling evidence to get a judge to grant an application for such a review.

The Royal College of Nurses (RCN) have also been working on a bid for a judicial review regarding the impact of the closure of the medical beds on the maternity ward.

A spokesperson for the Save Our Hospital Services steering group said: "There was discussion around whether we would proceed with a formal application for a judicial review independently or in conjunction with the RCN, however we would have needed more information from the CCG to evidence our grounds for challenge.

"We were running out of time because of the tight deadlines for judicial reviews and it would also have required substantially more funds than we had been able to raise.

"Our legal team (lawyers, barrister and Queen's Counsel) strongly advised us that it might be better to pursue our fight through the Devon County Council Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee, since that would also enable other people able to make petitions. Taking all these aspects into account we concluded that since we had already incurred substantial costs it was prudent to follow the advice of our legal counsel."

The steering group said that they will be holding a public meeting later this month to explain to everyone the next steps that are needed to be taken as a community.

The bid for a judicial review was given a boost at the start of the campaign, when Otter Garden Centres pledged £10,000. Since then money has been flooding in from concerned local residents, but the overall cost of a judicial review is around £70,000.

The Mayor of Honiton, Cllr John Zarczynski, said: "Politicians and local authorities must start listening to the people who struggle tirelessly to deliver vital services to our communities.

"Over the years cuts in funding to our NHS have proved counterproductive in delivering care to our communities, especially to our most vulnerable.

"Politicians should not consider themselves experts by assuming they know best. As elected public servants it would be grossly irresponsible for politicians and local authorities to ignore warnings and good sound advice from the highly skilled experts who I consider do know best.

"In a civilised society and the fifth largest economy in the world, our government and local authorities have a duty to provide vital care to our most vulnerable – not the bottom line on a profit and loss balance sheet. Education and healthcare is the backbone for future prosperity of our children and grandchildren

"I find it extremely disturbing our frontline, already hard pressed, overworked, demoralised workers are being forced to take action to save what little is left of our vital healthcare.

"This is something I find totally unacceptable; we as a community have a duty not to abandon the fight – we must all stand united, shoulder to shoulder, and send out a strong message making it clear enough is enough.

"We must not lose sight of the fact that today's young will one day become tomorrow's most vulnerable, who today depend on us to safeguard their future healthcare in our communities that we have enjoyed and taken for granted over the years. As elected town mayor of Honiton I ask for every household for your strong support – your voice is vital if we are to stop further cuts and preserve our most precious public asset, the NHS."

● SEATON and Colyton county councillor Martin Shaw is organising a public meeting on June 14th at Marshlands, in Seaton, to discuss how to go forward with their campaign.

Cllr Shaw has also attempted to instigate a judicial review into the desision to remove the beds from Seaton Hospital, but his campaign failed to raise sufficent funds.

He is now considering organising a protest outside county hall when the CCG meet with the county council's scrutiny committee on Monday, June 19th.

Andy Caddick opens new nets at Honiton CC

■ SOMERSET CCC legend and former England international Andy Caddick was on hand to open the new practice nets at Honiton Cricket Club *See page four for the full story*

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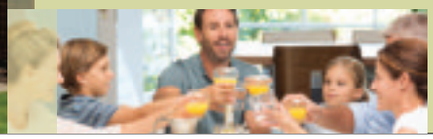
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Sixth former's inspirational mayor making speech

A 17-YEAR-old student from Honiton Community College made quite an impact when he welcomed new mayor, Councillor John Zarczynski, at the recent mayor making ceremony in Honiton recently.

Jack Haigh was given the opportunity by the college to speak at the meeting that was attended by Conservative councillors including East Devon District Council leader Andrew Moulding, leader of East Devon District Council Paul Diviani, county councillor and deputy leader of the district council Phil Twiss and Conservative parliamentary candidate Neil Parish, and used the platform to appeal to residents to think about and support the issues concerning young people in the town.

Jack said: "The young of today of this country have some of the greatest challenges of any group. A housing crisis, threatening the very notion of home-ownership, the continued growth of university fees and their associated debt and a mental health crisis of immense proportion are just some of the many changes that haunt too many of our young people today.

"When we add the huge external and existential crisis facing our world today, such as a failed economic model in terminal decline or climate change, the picture can look very bleak indeed.

"I see, though, a unique position for the younger population up and down the country. As a young person today, we stand on what I think is a precipice between two, very different worlds.

"All generations have said something similar, but I truly believe that this is a new position to be in. The challenges we face are large, but so too are the opportunities.

"I believe that the kind of changes that the young population needs to see made in the country today can be made only in one way – from the bottom up.

"In communities like ours, there is poverty, uncertainty, depression, fear, concern and strife about the basics of living.

"For too many people, the idea of the future brings all the wrong images to the mind. Even in supposedly rural communities like ours, there is the whole mix of the human experience in terms of deprivation.

"Many of the young people I went and go to school with are already beginning to feel the pinch of austerity economics.

"Inequality is growing, and with it a kind of ladder society, in which everyone has a place – for most of us that place is down, beneath, hidden and invisible.

"We have become a group of consumers – not a society of citizens – and some basic respect for everybody's own worth has been lost."

Jack, in front of his head of year and school principle, described the 'utter outrage' he felt that that are schools across the country in debt and how the education system in the country needed to evolve: "At the present moment, nearly every secondary in Devon is having to contemplate redundancy and course cutting on a previously unseen scale.

"The government's ideological and economically illiterate austerity proposals have left real people's lives in a shocking way.

"What is the point in being the fifth richest country on Earth if we have head teachers asking parents at the school gate for money to employ staff, or we have nurses going to food banks?

"Speaking as someone who just finished their GCSEs last year, I know the imminent need to move our education system away from a deeply regressive 'teach-it-to-the-test' system.

"Students' real potentials, skills, desires, and natural interests have been ignored, and in their place, we are told that everything we do has to be about money.

"True, money is important, but so too is building a society in which everyone can fulfil their passions, and that the government continues to cut funding for arts in education is an abuse of the talents of so many children.

"Don't get me wrong – none of this is due to the teachers in our schools who are a deadly mix of underpaid and overworked, whose efforts are reduced to four overly simple levels, or inspected upon, without the inspectorate taking into account the most crucial factor in any educational success – background.

"It is hardly a mystery why the profession is struggling to employ, like so many other public services under this government.

"I hope whoever wins on June 9th will seriously consider these issues I have raised, though I fear that some groups really do not care. But aside from that, let me remind all our people that in communities like Honiton, we too can come together to change the discussion and refocus the chattering classes on real people, with real lives and real concerns."

This is an abridged version of Jack Haigh's speech at Honiton mayor making on May 22nd.

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Jack Haigh

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A35 to Bridport closed overnight

THE A35 between Axminster and Bridport is now in its second week of being closed overnight, with the road being shut to traffic from 8pm to 6am.

The closure is part of a 10-week road improvement scheme at the Hunters Lodge junction, which will not only increase safety for road users but also improve crossing facilities for pedestrians.

Light westbound traffic is being diverted via Beaminster, Crewkerne and Chard, and there is an eastbound diversion in reverse.

HGVs and caravans travelling westbound will be diverted from the A35 at Dorchester, via Yeovil and Ilminster, on roads more suitable for this type of traffic; again, with a reverse eastbound diversion in operation.

The improvement work includes reconfigured lane markings, a signalised pedestrian crossing, the installation of speed activated signs in both directions, a high-friction road surface and new signage.

Highways England operations and maintenance team leader, Nick Reed, said at the start of the project: "We have been liaising with our local authority partners and listening to communities to make sure we have the right junction layout in place for this scheme.

"We have looked at all of the available safety measures for this junction.

"Traffic management will be in place during the work, we will be working to keep disruption to a minimum and further details will be available in due course."

The safety improvement scheme is expected to cost around £560,000 and is due to be completed in mid-June, in time for the summer holidays.

While the road is closed, other routine maintenance work will also be carried out at various points along that section of the A35.

During any roadworks, Highways England advises drivers to plan their journeys and allow extra time while they are being delivered.

Drivers can get up-to-the-minute travel information by phoning the Highways England Information Line on 0300 123 5000 or by accessing the website.

Further information regarding current and planned roadworks in the South West region plus neighbouring regions, including the programme, can be found on the Highways England website.

Green candidate clarifies position on EU referendum

FOLLOWING our article on the Axminster hustings event, which featured candidates for the Tiverton and Honiton constituency in this Thursday's general election, the Green Party's Gill Westcott has asked us to clarify her stance on a second referendum on leaving the EU after we reported she was in favour of one.

Ms Westcott said: "I too adopt the Green Party position that only after the negotiations on exit terms from the EU is known should the people of the UK (rather than Parliament only) have a say on whether the terms are acceptable.

"The ballot paper should also have the options: Remain in the EU; Leave anyway (without accepting the terms negotiated).

"There should be no second referendum until the pig is out of the poke (or the cat out of the bag)."

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Reassurances after postal voting slips security error

THE Acting Returning Officer for the East Devon Constituency, Mark Williams, has issued a statement to reassure postal voters after voting slips were issued without the official security mark on them.

Mr Williams said: "It has come to my attention that the postal vote packs we issued on May 25th contained voting slips that did not have an official security mark visible on the front of the ballot paper. This has affected a total of 9,000 postal voters.

"I want to reassure those postal voters affected that if they have not yet returned their postal votes they should still do so.

"We have taken all the necessary steps to ensure the postal votes are valid and will be counted.

"I apologise for the error but want to reassure postal voters that they should still complete their postal voting statements and return their postal voting envelopes back to me for validating as part of the normal postal voting process.

"To be valid, a postal vote has to be accompanied by a valid postal voting statement containing the voter's date of birth and signature.

"After these are checked, the envelope containing the postal voting slip is opened and the slip is put into a sealed ballot box where it is kept safe until the formal count.

"My postal vote opening teams will ensure that all validly completed postal votes are double-checked so that they will go forward to the count along with all the other votes that will be cast on polling day itself."

A second issue of postal votes was sent out on May 31st and all the postal voting slips will have the appropriate security mark.

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Nathan's marathon in a month

NATHAN Hall from Honiton, who goes to school in Membury, has just completed an amazing challenge he set himself – to complete a fundraising 'marathon in a month' for the charity Bibic.

Nathan lives with dyspraxia – a disorder which effects co-ordination and movement – makes this feat even more impressive.

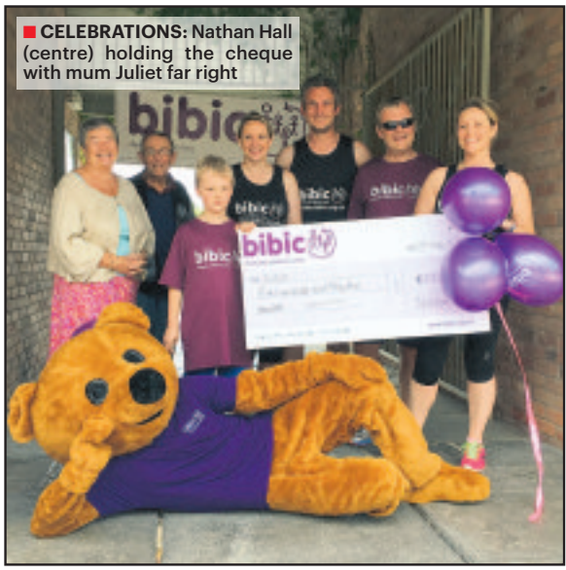
Cheered on by family, friends, supporters and the charity's mascot, eight-year old Nathan celebrated his last marathon mile by finishing his challenge at Bibic's HQ in Langport, Somerset.

This is an incredible achievement for Nathan, who finds sports activities difficult due to his dyspraxia.

Inspired by watching the London Marathon, Nathan decided to set himself the goal of running a 'marathon in a month' to raise money for Bibic.

Nathan said: "Bibic helps children like me who find learning difficult, and I wanted to do something for others like me. I came here when I was little and it really helped me and my family."

During this last month, Nathan has covered 31 miles, taking part in parkruns, fun runs and family runs across Devon with the support of many friends and family by his side.



CELEBRATIONS: Nathan Hall (centre) holding the cheque with mum Juliet far right

Juliet Hall, Nathan's mum, said: "We are so proud of Nathan. He came up with this idea all my himself as he wanted to give something back to Bibic who helped him and his brother when he was a child.

"It's been lovely to see how much Nathan has enjoyed this whole experience and how much more confident he is at running – something he really didn't like before.

"It's great to see him believe in himself; he now says he can, not he can't.

"And the donations are still coming in, it's amazing – I think he will raise more than £700!"

Bibic CEO Lynda Williams commented said: "Thank you Nathan for raising all this money for us and well done on your fantastic running.

"It was great fun to celebrate your last mile here at Bibic. "

Bibic is a small charity that works with children and young people with neurological and genetic conditions that cause developmental difficulties, affecting their social, physical, communication and learning abilities.

END IN SIGHT: Bibic's CEO Lynda Williams cheers Nathan on as he runs towards the finish line

New nets at Honiton Cricket Club

HONITON Cricket Club has officially opened its new nets with the help of former England international and Somerset legend Andy Caddick.

Andy was welcomed to the club by chairman Andrew Lapping and vice chairman Peter Matravers, before an assembled chairman's XI took on a vice chairman's XI in a match.

Peter Matravers explained why the cricket nets were such an achievement for the club and for the community spirit of the town.

He said: "The club was in a pretty poor state three or four years ago. We had very little money and were in danger of folding.

"We were also struggling on the field with performance and attracting and retaining players.

"This led to changes to the committee and we now have some very good, hard-working officers in the right positions which is led by Andrew.

"We soon set about getting things right off the field which we felt were essential; foundations to build on.

"Improving our financial position was our first priority and once this was done through sponsorship we then concentrated on improving our facilities and youth set up.

"We now have sight screens and covers and our brand new nets. We also have two youth teams and hope to expand this in the years to come."

"The nets project itself was our most ambitious. I remember on a wet and cold January night last year Andrew and I having a depressing meeting at the Heathfield with Matt Theedom of the ECB telling him our funding bids with Tesco and Viridor had failed.

"We explained to him our vision and ambitions of the club. Matt, at this stage, could not say if the ECB would support the project but suggested we started fundraising, as they would only partially fund any net construction."

The cricket club started crowdfunding last summer and created a video with young club member Matthew as the star.

Matthew would later face Andy Caddick in the nets and duly handled himself extremely well.

The crowdfunding campaign was given generous donations by local businesses and individuals and the club raised more than £4,500, which Peter says far exceeded their expectations.

Peter thanked club members that used their expertise to help get the nets project built in a short space of time, after the ECB agreed to help fund the nets but only gave them a few months to spend the grant.

Following the opening of the nets, Peter said: "Tonight is a celebration of what we have achieved and is an opportunity to say thanks to everyone that helped.

"So on the behalf of the club I would just like to say that we are very appreciative of your efforts."

Alex to cycle more than 3,000 miles across America

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SEATON resident and former Axe Valley Academy student Alex Hunt, 22, will play a crucial support role when a Help For Heroes team of eight wounded, injured and sick (WIS) ex-military personnel takes on one of the world's toughest endurance cycling events, the epic 3,081 mile Race Across America (RAAM).

The race is in June and Alex will be part of the support crew.

He has been working voluntarily with the Help For Heroes veterans while studying for a Masters in Sport & Exercise Physiology at Cardiff Metropolitan University.

In March he ran the Grizzly, raising more than £600 for the charity.

ENDURANCE: Alex competing in this year's Grizzly

His role so far has been as part of the sport science team; however, during the race Alex will be part of the support crew aiding the riders as they cycle across America.

"I feel honoured to be part of this team and am really looking forward to the race ahead.

"Working with the team has been an inspirational experience for me. It makes you realise you have no excuse.

"The veterans show an immense level of courage, strength, determination and enthusiasm.

"The race itself will be a formidable challenge for everyone but hugely rewarding once we have completed it," said Alex.

The RAAM is considered by many to be the one of the toughest endurance cycling events.

Starting in Oceanside, California, the team will pass through 12 states, covering over 3,081 miles, finishing in Annapolis, Maryland.

The team members are hoping to complete the race within seven days.

They are using the challenge not only as an important part of their recovery but are also aiming to raise £100,000 for Help For Heroes as a way of giving back to a charity which has supported them since injury. The race starts on June 17th.

For more information, visit the Help for Heroes website at www.helpforheroes.org.uk/get-support/sports-and-hobbies/race-across-america-2017

NCP back Christmas lights campaign

PARKING provider NCP will donate six days' takings from its Axminster facility to the town's Christmas lights fund.

To help give Axminster "the festive sparkle it deserves", NCP is pledging to donate every penny of its takings between June 19th and 24th to Light Up Axminster, the group of volunteers set-up last year.

Group members have been overwhelmed by the support from local businesses in raising the sums needed to put on a new range of events throughout summer for the community to enjoy and, at the same time, boost fundraising for the Christmas lights.

One of the main features will be the resurrection of the town's Cherry Fayre, the origins of which go back 800 years.

NCP business manager Carly Edwards said: "We opened our Lyme Street car park in Axminster last November and have been made to feel very welcome by the town.

"We wanted to say thank you to the local community and what better way than by helping to make sure everyone can enjoy an eye-catching lighting display this Christmas?

"Our Lyme Street car park is ideally placed right in the heart of the town for the Cherry Fayre activities and events.

"In an average week around 700 cars use it, but we expect this number to rise in Cherry Fayre week due to all the activities planned, so we're optimistic of being able to make a fairly sizeable donation to the Christmas lights fund."

Cindy Furse, chairman of Light Up Axminster, said she was bowled over when NCP offered to donate the takings.

She said: "It's fantastic that NCP – a relative newcomer to the town – is prepared to make such as generous gesture.

"The business community – new and longer-standing – as well as the wider community at large have all thrown their energies into the pot to help us create eight days of fun in the town. Make sure you get your hands on a programme – it's going to be a blast."

Carpets introduce new delivery service

AXMINSTER Carpets have announced a significant improvement in their delivery service to offer faster deliveries and increased flexibility.

From June 9th they will be providing named day deliveries throughout the week as standard on all their carpets and underlay.

The cut off time for orders to be despatched the same day will also be extended to 2pm.

The change will mean that most orders will be delivered two days after placing the order, depending on location, and no 'in stock' carpet will take longer than five days (mainland UK).

For non-stocked or custom carpets including made to order collections, the customer services team will be able to advise stockists of a delivery date at point of order or once the production schedule has been agreed.

This service improvement will not only help with the fitting schedule but significantly reduce delivery times.

Chantel-Leigh Summers, Axminster Carpets operations director, said: "This is a significant improvement in customer service.

"By knowing the exact delivery day for their carpets, our customers will not only be able to effectively plan fitting but be able to better support their customer when choosing a new carpet.

"In addition to this, for total peace of mind, each delivery will be tracked and traced every step of the journey from the factory to its destination."

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SCOUTS from Beer and Seaton took gold and bronze at the annual South West Regional Cooking Competition in Shurdington, Gloucestershire.

Twelve teams met to do battle over beaten eggs and gas stoves.

After a hard two hours in the camp-style kitchen, with only a two-ring gas burner, the teams stood proudly beside their tables for the judges to critique just as they do on Masterchef.

The results were announced in a packed room of more than 80 people.

Scout leader Fiona Gage said: "The tension was almost visible.

"A Scout leader from Swindon started with handing out the certificates of merit for everyone to lots of noisy cheers and clapping.

"Then it came to the top three. The room fell silent again. "Both the troops from Devon stood together looking at each other in anticipation.

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"When Seaton Scout group were called up for third place, the Beer group cheered very loudly for their fellow Devonian Scouts.

"The room again fell silent and second place was called out, which went to 1st Deer Park – Kemble."

Nigel Groves, leader for Beer Scouts, took up the story and said: "At this point I looked at the group and it was amazing to see the anticipation on their faces change to absolute delight when their name was read out as coming first, they just could not believe it.

"They just jumped up and down in the group hugging each other.

"I am just so proud of them and the dedication and hard work they have shown."

Fiona added: "The dedication these four young people (Kendle, 13, Isla, 11, Dylan, 11 and Adam, 10) have shown over the last six weeks of training has been admirable.

"They have listened to the advice they were given and put it into practice.

"It has been great to see the friendly rivalry between the Devon groups and this has pushed all the youngsters on to do better.

"People should not underestimate what young people can do in the kitchen."

New Wetlands trail for pre-schoolers

A NEW rainbow-themed trail which is aimed at pre-school aged children has been installed at Seaton Wetlands.

The trail starts in the Wetlands car park (accessed through Seaton cemetery, on Colyford Road) and takes visitors on a self-guided activity trail around the reserve.

Visitors are taken on a journey through the Wetlands reserves by following different coloured wooden posts.

At nine points along the trail there are exciting activities to engage young children; including a hunt for natural colours and shapes, stop and listen to the sounds of the nature reserve, tip-toe over bridges trying not to disturb the troll beneath, and much much more!

The majority of the trail is pushchair and scooter/bike friendly; the small sections which are off the tarmacked path have spaces where pushchairs can be left nearby.

In order to suit little legs, the trail can be completed in one visit or started and finished at any point.

East Devon District Council Countryside Education ranger, Meg Knowles, who put the trail together said: "The aim of the trail is to keep younger children interested during walks.

"The activities help children to engage with their wild surroundings and could also offer ideas for families to use when out and about on other countryside walks.

"We hope to see lots of children taking part and enjoying a well earned picnic afterwards!"

The trail will run until Friday, September 8th and can be walked on any day, at any time during that period.

There are toilets and picnic tables at Seaton Wetlands. Tea, coffee and biscuits are available from the Discovery Hut, where you can view the recently hatched kestrel chicks on the kestrel cam.

The hut is open from 10am to 4pm, Saturday to Monday, and 11am to 1pm, Tuesday to Thursday until the kestrel chicks fledge at the end of June.

For further information on visiting Seaton Wetlands please visit wildeastdevon.co.uk; alternatively you can contact the Countryside team via email countryside@eastdevon.gov.uk or phone 01395 517557.

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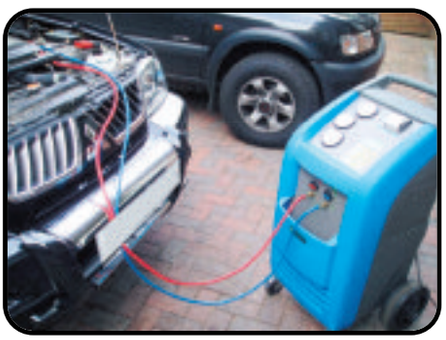

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A MINIATURE Victorian safe found during a routine house clearance in West Devon will be featured in Chilcotts Auctioneers' June sale in Honiton.

It is thought the safe was exhibited at the Glasgow International Exhibition of Science, Art and Industry in 1888 after a bronze medal was found inside, awarded to one R Thompson for a 'Special Exhibition'.

Auctioneer Duncan Chilcott explained: "This is one of those intriguing items handed down through the generations that we sometimes come across at a house clearance.

"It is a clever and intricate piece; once the first safe door is opened, four more smaller doors with individual locks are revealed."

It seems the miniature safe was made to show off the locksmith's skills; the locking mechanism is extremely complex and can be seen by opening the inside cover.

This fascinating – and usable – safe is one of those 'tricky to value' objects, but is estimated at between £400 and £600.

LIZ Chilcott

"It measures just 18 centimetres high by 12.5 square, but is quite hefty – weighing in at around seven and a half kilograms," added Duncan.

There are also two large displays of medallions awarded to locksmiths and safemakers in other 19th century trade exhibitions.

Trade exhibitions were very popular in the Victorian era.

The Glasgow exhibition of 1888 took place in Kelvingrove Park between May and November; it was designed to grow international awareness of Glasgow's achievements in science, the arts and industry during the Industrial Revolution.

The exhibition space was designed by architect James Sellars in an oriental style in the main building located in Kelvingrove Park.

Both the safe and medallions were the property of Alfred Langton Markham, 1923-2015, the vendor's father, who was managing director of Chubb Locks.

Alfred acquired them when the Chubb Museum was dispersed during the last century.

The medals and miniature safe will be sold at Chilcotts' June 10th Fine Art, Antiques and Collectors Items sale at the Silver Street showroom adjacent to the Honiton livestock centre.

Viewing is on Thursday from 9am to 5pm, Friday 9am to 7pm and sale day from 8:30am.

The sale starts at 10.30am.

Offwell pupils back from trip to London

OFFWELL School's Year Five and Six children recently returned from a residential trip to London, where they enjoyed an action-packed weekend.

For some children this was their first trip away from home and also to London.

Offwell headteacher Anne Billington said: "Residential trips are a really good chance for young children to be away from home but still feel safe being with members of their class and staff they know really well."

It was a busy few days with visits to the British Museum's Greek Gallery, Wonderlab and the Flash Bang Wallop Show at the Science Museum, as well as Dino Investigations at the Natural History Museum.

Students enjoyed some of London's cultural landmarks as well as they visited the National Gallery in Trafalgar Square and the class had a wonderful time on the London Eye looking over the city.

Mrs Billington added: "Children returned home tired but satisfied.

"Parents expressed their appreciation of the trip telling us how their children 'loved their first residential coming back tired but not too dirty' and with one child referring to the trip as 'epic'."

THE children enjoyed the Wonderlab exhibition at the Science Museum

Get set to go quackers

HONITON and District Lions have officially launched their 2017 duck race and have thanked local businesses who have sponsored the event.

The Lions gathered at an event at The Otter Inn to launch the annual initiative.

This year ten companies will be putting up £635 in cash and prizes for the duck race winners, making it possibly the best supported club duck race ever.

This year the club will be supporting children's mental health in the area and looking for as much support as last year at the event on Sunday, August 13th.

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Rain fails to dampen spirits at tractor run

TRACTORS trundled on through the rain as Colyton hosted one of its most popular events of the year on the recent Bank Holiday Monday.

The annual Colyton Vintage Tractor Run saw more than 100 tractors set off from the Peace Memorial playing field, cheered on by big crowds despite poor weather.

The run was officially started by the town crier of Colyton, Derek Wenn, who was accompanied by Hayley Perham, director as the event's main sponsor CRW Accountants, and her daughter Ameerah (pictured left).

They enjoyed a route through the East Devon countryside, this year finishing in Hawkchurch.

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60 SECOND INTERVIEW

CLINICAL hypnotherapist Samantha Davey first moved to Devon when she was 10, and attended Colyton Grammar School.

She moved away from the area when she left home and became an occupational therapist for the NHS, but returned to East Devon a few years ago and now lives in Axminster.

● HOW did you first become interested in hypnotherapy?

I first started using a self-hypnosis CD in my late 20s to help me sleep better and found it really helpful – that was my first introduction to hypnosis and over the following years I became more and more interested in the power of the mind to both help and heal ourselves.

I was previously employed as an occupational therapist for the NHS and I often worked with clients teaching relaxation and anxiety management skills.

I've also meditated as a daily practice for over 20 years, so I eventually decided to pull together all my skills, interests and life experience to re-train as a hypnotherapist.

● WHERE did you train?

I trained with Adam Eason at the Anglo-European College of Hypnosis in Bournemouth. I chose Adam because he was highly recommended and also because he has a very strong evidence-based approach to hypnotherapy.

The course was very in-depth and I qualified with the Hypnotherapy Practitioner Diploma, which is the most rigorous hypnotherapy qualification in the UK.

● WHAT conditions/issues can hypnotherapy help with?

Hypnotherapy can help with a very wide range of conditions and issues, which can be roughly divided into four areas, which also tend to overlap considerably: emotional difficulties such as anxiety, phobias, stress, depression, grief, self-esteem and confidence building; habitual problems and behavioural issues including nervous habits, like hair pulling or nail biting, and overeating; physical conditions such as irritable bowel syndrome, persistent pain, headaches and high blood pressure; and performance enhancement – whether it's for sports, business, public speaking, your driving test, exams or anything else where you need to give your best.

I am very experienced in working in all four of these areas with clients. I specialise in working with anxiety and related problems as so many problems, both psychological and physical, have stress or anxiety at their root.

Clients often find that when anxiety is addressed the benefits of this healing ripple out helping every area of life.

Hypnotherapy can help with so many issues – I'm very happy for people to call me if they're not sure whether hypnotherapy can help.

● HOW does it work?

We all experience light states of hypnosis every day, for example driving a familiar route on autopilot, reading a good book, playing an instrument or even just daydreaming.

We use a deeper version of this naturally occurring state to help step over the conscious, analytical, thinking mind.

When you're experiencing hypnosis you're very open to letting go of old ways of negative thinking, old behaviour patterns and beliefs.

Once you've let go of the old stuff you're very receptive to taking on new ideas, new positive ways of thinking and responding.

Hypnotherapy is a participative and collaborative therapy – just like any other form of psychotherapy or counselling – it's not something 'done to' you.

I'll guide you to use your imagination in a variety of different ways to achieve the goals you're aiming for. I usually tell people to forget about hypnosis and just think of it as a guided imaginary journey.

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● WHAT do you enjoy about your job?

I never get tired of seeing and hearing about the amazing changes hypnotherapy and BWRT can create.

I love helping and empowering people to overcome their problems, especially when that affects every aspect of their lives.

When a client tells me that they no longer have a phobia that has affected their entire life, or depression or anxiety they've had for years is just not there any more, it's a truly wonderful thing. If I can play a part in making someone's life happier and more fulfilling then I'm happy too.

● WHAT do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

I enjoy walking, especially the coastline here in East Devon – in the spring and summer I'll tie that in with picnics and afternoons on the beach too. I love singing and belong to a local choir. I read a lot – both novels and therapy books.

● WHAT do you like about living in the local area?

I enjoy the pace of life here and of course the people – we are lucky to still have a great sense of community.

I love living near the sea and this stretch of coastline is amazing. It's fantastic having so many great walks to choose from.

I love the landscape too, the gentle rolling hills and the vibrancy of colours – I've moved around a lot and it feels like home more than anywhere else. My roots are definitely here in East Devon.

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Funding boost for Men's Shed project

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A COMMUNITY group in Ottery St Mary is celebrating after being award funding by the Asda Foundation.

A total of £1,000 has been granted to the Ottery Men's Shed project, where people come together to take part in practical skills and activities.

Sessions are designed and run by their members and provide opportunities for people to share tools, resources and skills in order to create, learn and develop social networks.

Older people's charity the Royal Voluntary Service, with funding from the Asda Foundation, established the Sheds Grant Fund to provide small scale funding to people looking for help with either set-up or early stage development costs.

Grants of between £250 and £1,000 were made available – with applicants encouraged to apply for some of the tools and equipment they need for their activities or ongoing costs such as help with rent or insurance.

Tony Pugh, Ottery Men's Shed chairman, said: "The big difference the Royal Voluntary Service and Asda Foundation grant for rent payments and a pillar drill has made to our Shed is confidence and positivity.

"We no longer check every penny in the cash box at the end of each session to see if we have covered our standing costs. We know we are good for five months. The pillar drill is in near-continuous use and is one of our most valued power tools."

Jo Phillips, Sheds Project Manager at the Royal Voluntary Service, said: "Most shed groups are started by local groups coming together due to a shared interest in traditional crafts such as joinery, furniture renovation, metalwork and mechanics. We are delighted to be able to administer the grant funds so that these skills can flourish in a friendly and sociable environment, and that more local community based Sheds can get up and running."

Julie Ward, Senior Manager of the Asda Foundation, said: "The Asda Foundation is one of the many ways we can give something back to our local communities.

"That's why we lend a hand to a wide range of good causes with which our colleagues are involved with, sharing their passion and helping to make a difference through a variety of projects across the UK. We see the Sheds programme as making a real difference at a grassroots level and are proud to support this initiative."

The Shed movement follows a blueprint from an Australian project and since the first Men's Shed opened in the UK six years ago, there are now more than 300 in the UK with three new Sheds on average opening a week.

Sheds are often places for older men to come together and work on either individual or community projects – but are now increasingly seeing younger men and women getting involved and benefitting from social interaction and skill sharing.

Stanley the dog wins BBQ competition

■ A NEWFOUNDLAND dog named Stanley was the surprise winner of a Weber barbeque in a recent Otter Garden Centre competition.

Stanley's owner Lucy Wakefield, who runs Barking Mad Home Hosting for Dogs, entered Stanley – who has his own Facebook account – into a social media giveaway.

With the winner chosen at random, Stanley's name was pulled out of the hat.

After ascertaining that the dog had an owner who could cook sausages for him on his new barbeque, he was duly named the winner.

The pair visited Otter Garden Centres to claim the prize. Staff and customers came to say hello to the impressive pooch.

As dogs are not allowed inside the garden centre, apart from guide dogs and assistance dogs, Stanley had to receive his barbeque from Wendy Kingdon and Sara Fowler just outside the entrance.

Lucy said: "We will be making good use of the prize.

"Barking Mad has around 20 hosts in the area who look after dogs for people going on holiday, to weddings or away for business meetings, and we often have get-togethers.

"So, a summer barbeque is on the agenda, and Stanley will be getting extra sausages."

■ LUCY Wakefield and Stanley were presented with their barbecue by Wendy Kingdon and Sarah Flower

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Cornish art crosses the Devon border

■ **EXETER & DISTRICT ENGLISH SPEAKING UNION:** David Tovey, a leading authority on Cornish art, especially that of the St Ives Colony, gave a talk at the Exeter and District English Speaking Union's lunch event in May.

David's great-grandfather was one of the founding artists of St Ives Art Colony which was inspired by the French 'plein air' artists such as Monet and Renoir in the 19th Century. These were the first artists to paint relaxed outdoor scenes.

The St Ives artists were keen to illustrate the fishermen's' lives of this period, before the way of life was lost.

The artists started going to Cornwall in the 1860s, initially in the winter months to paint pictures for the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition.

Gradually the artist colony expanded and they established themselves full time in St Ives.

They found that the strong Methodist inhabitants had very few cultural or entertainment events, certainly none on Sundays!

They sought to redress this situation by setting up drama and music groups, as well as sports teams, which competed with the Newlyn and Lamorna artists.

Initially the artists stayed in boarding houses, until the more entrepreneurial Cornish men built houses in St Ives with studios and then larger houses in the area.

Sadly a lot of these houses have been or are being knocked down as the St Ives authorities do not acknowledge this era of art, thinking that the only significant art is from the 1930s onwards when Barbara Hepworth and other artists were there.

This lead is followed by Tate St Ives which does not exhibit paintings from the St Ives artists of the 19th and early 20th Centuries.

The Exeter and District AGM will be held prior to the supper event on June 21st.

The guest speaker will be Jung Chang, who is the author of many best-selling books including: *Wild Swans: Three Daughters of China* (1991), which the *Asian Wall Street Journal* called the most read book about China.

Her books have been translated into more than 40 languages and sold more than 15 million copies worldwide.

Anyone interested in attending Exeter ESU events, or becoming a member, should contact membership secretary Margaret Guyver on 01392 491898.

Big turnout for Stephen Foster demo at Axminster Art Society meeting

■ **AXMINSTER ART SOCIETY:** There was an excellent turnout in the United Reformed Church Hall on Chard Street for artist Stephen Foster.

Before his demonstration, acting chairman Rob Chappel reminded us about our upcoming annual exhibition at the Axe Vale Festival during the weekend of June 17th and 18th.

Although technically an oil painter, Stephen starts his work with an acrylic underpainting, using this stage to work out what is needed and to experiment with subtle tones of colour.

He paints on hardboard and finds that Schminke acrylic paints best suit his palette knife work, and always works with a palette knife sanded into a rounded tip; today using a Gerstaecker No 30 knife which he wipes clean regularly.

Unable to use spirits which give him migraines, he uses oil and told us how to clean brushes with vegetable oil and how to add layers of oil paint onto a dry picture using three layers – first ordinary Linseed Oil, next Purified Linseed Oil and finally, the greasiest, Sun Bleached Linseed Oil.

He had covered the board with a dark layer of Van Dyke Brown over a primer layer of white gesso warmed with a touch of Burnt Sienna.

He began by working a mass of white paint across the sky area using the flat, slightly bent back of the blade without lifting it off the surface before adding Yellow Ochre and then Prussian Blue.

Stephen works with a very restricted palette-Prussian Blue, Yellow Ochre, Magenta and Burnt Sienna and Terracotta but his favourite colour is grey which he creates from mixing a selection of these colours with white.

A beautiful slate grey can come from mixing Magenta with white and Pthalo Green or with a mix of the other three colours.

After tea, Stephen added oil paint using Lukas brand which he buys from Great Art.

Like Turner and Edward Seago, he keeps his work very simple with minimum detail allowing the viewer to use their imagination to fill in gaps.

He lightened the sea with paler blue to maintain a consistent tonal quality, modifying his original acrylic work rather that replacing it and finished a serene image of the Norfolk coast.

Our next demonstration will be on September 20th when Richard Turner will give a pastel demonstration.

Our June meeting will be our president's critique but catch our annual exhibition in our marquee at the Axe Vale Festival.

■ THERE was a big audience for Stephen Foster's demonstration at Axminster Art Society

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TWO gardens in Kilmington will be once again opening their gates to visitors on Saturday 17th and Sunday, June 18th, from 1.30pm to 5pm, as part of the National Open Garden Scheme.

There is plenty to see whether it's your first visit or you go regularly – gardens don't stay the same!

Don't forget your camera and take part in the NGS Photographic competition with a chance to win a visit to Mary Berry's lovely garden.

In 2017 the National Garden Scheme – www. ngs. org.uk – donated £2.7 million to the following charities, helping to chan- ge lives: MacMillan Cancer Support (£500,000); Marie Curie (£500,000); Hospice UK (£500,000); Carers Trust (£375,000); Queen's Nursing Institute (£250, 000); Perennial (£130, 000); Horatio's Garden (£130, 000); Parkinson's UK (£100,000); MS Society (£100,000).

Please support them at Breach (Judith Chapman & BJ Lewis), off Shute Road and Spinney Two (Paul and Celia Dunsford), Shute Road.

There will be homemade teas available at Breach in aid of St Giles' Church, with plants also for sale.

There will be wheelchair access to main parts of gardens; dogs welcome on leads.

Entry is £5 for combined admission to both gardens (children free).

Farm shop doesn't miss a beat with defibrillator

MILLERS Farm Shop, on the A35 in Kilmington, has become the latest location to benefit from government funding to provide public access defibrillators across the whole of the UK.

The scheme, administered by the British Heart Foundation working in partnership with South West Ambulance service, has provided a high tech Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) and a support kit of training materials.

AEDs are portable devices which, when attached to a person with suspected heart attack, decide whether or not treatment by way of a small electric shock is required whilst professional help is on the way.

The automated nature of the devices means that a shock is only delivered when it is needed.

The shop's owner Malcolm Miller explained: "I decided to apply to get an AED because I recognised that the businesses now operating in the Gammons Hill area between them attract a significant footfall for large parts of the day.

"Additionally we are on a very busy crossroads which has seen its fair share of traffic accidents over the last few years, some of them very serious.

"Our shop's position made it the ideal location to site the AED so that it is readily available to not only our own customers but also those people visiting the pubs in Kilmington, the Texaco garage and the A35 Pit Stop.

The British Heart Foundation material includes a training package on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and how to use the AED.

Training sessions are open to anyone who would like to attend, free of charge.

Training co-ordinator at Millers, Liam Best, will be gauging the level of interest in the sessions before deciding on the best times to deliver them.

The training, which lasts about an hour, will be available at various sites around Kilmington, starting at The New Inn for groups of no more than 10 people at a time.

Liam said: "Delivering the training in small groups means that we can make sure that everyone is comfortable in using the device and offers them the chance to ask as many questions as they want.

"Anyone who lives in the area or visits any of the businesses at Gammons Hill is welcome to come along.

"I really hope that as many people as possible can give up this small amount of their time – it could make a lifetime of difference one day".

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My first plane crash and I lost my notebook!

ALL old journalists remember the best stories they covered during their careers. Two of mine were plane crashes – one in Crewkerne in 1968 and the other near Ottery St Mary in 1980.

I remember the first one in 1968 – because I lost my notebook!

At the time I was working for the *Express & Echo* in Exeter. I was covering a job in Whimple and phoning my copy in when the news editor came on the line and asked how long it would take me to get to Crewkerne.

I just happened to be working with photographer Tony Scrivens who was a bit of a motorhead and drove a souped-up Mini Cooper. "Tell them 20 minutes," he said.

"We'll never make it in 20 minutes. It's got to be 30 miles."

Tony was never one to miss the chance of seeing how quick his pride and joy would go, and we actually did it in 30 minutes. The speedometer rarely fell below 80 mph and he frightened me to death.

When we arrived in Crewkerne we were met with a scene of carnage. A Canberra jet had crashed onto a garage in South Street. Thanks to the bravery of the French pilot, the plane had missed a nearby school but he ejected too late and was killed.

The Vickers Viscount airliner which crashed near Ottery St Mary in July 1980. All 62 passengers and crew escaped injury

Also killed was a local resident, Mr Charles Penman, 55, who went to the pilot's aid but died of a heart attack. There were two other casualties – garage owner Ron Meecham, who was 52 at the time, and was severely burned by blazing fuel and Mr Arthur Hopkins, who had called into the garage for fuel, was injured.

Mr Meecham spent several weeks in Frenchay Hospital, Bristol, where he underwent several skin grafts.

I had been working as a reporter for about three years and this was definitely the biggest story I had covered.

I called the *Echo* newsdesk and was told to write a piece immediately for the *Western Morning News* and phone the copy in and then return to the Honiton office for a more extensive piece for the next day's *Express & Echo*.

When I got to Honiton I realised I had forgotten my notebook and concluded that I had probably left it in the telephone kiosk. So back to Crewkerne I went but my notebook was nowhere to be seen.

My second plane crash was less spectacular but also a miracle. I was editor of the *Sidmouth Herald* at the time and had just got home after a long day when I turned on the TV to see a news flash that a passenger plane had crash-landed near the Salston Hotel at Ottery St Mary.

It was hailed a miracle because on that July evening in 1980 the Viscount Airliner from Santander, carrying 62 people, plummeted from the sky over Ottery on its descent into Exeter Airport, grazing the rooftops before coming to rest in a nearby field at Bishops Court Farm. All on board escaped injury.

There were no mobile phones in those days but I managed to summon the *Herald* reporters and photographers and we were able to cover the incident in detail in the following day's edition.

It subsequently transpired that the plane had run out of fuel. The only casualties were four sheep who were decapitated by a wing of the plane as it crash-landed.

Local papers, especially in those days, existed on a staple diet of courts, council meetings and flower shows. Such dramatic incidents such as aircrashes were few and far between.

In many ways, that's part of the charm of the job but every reporter I have worked with over the years relished the chance to get their teeth into a real story.

But losing your notebook? That's not to be recommended!

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Bizarre story of the American who chose to die in Lyme

A MIDDLE-AGED woman, identified as an American by her accent, arrived in Axminster station on the London train.

She was obviously unfamiliar with the area as when she got on the bus she asked to be taken to the city.

The next morning that woman was found garotted in a beach hut at Lyme Regis.

It was one of the most bizarre stories I have covered in a 52-year career.

No identity was found on her body and at first police thought it was murder.

With nowhere to stay in Lyme, and no money on her, the woman forced her way into a beach hut on Monmouth Beach for overnight shelter. In the morning she was found dead.

It transpired that she garotted herself by tying a ligature around her neck and winding a stick tight at the back of her neck until she lost consciousness. She fell backwards, traping the stick by the weight of her body.

I covered the subsequent inquest and can remember a detective sergeant demonstrated before the coroner how she suffered a lonely death. As far as I can remember, the identity of the woman was never established.

Not only bizarre but one of the saddest stories I ever wrote.

Anther sad story I remember well when I was working for the *Bridport and Lyme Regis News* as chief reporter was the disappearance of a local woman and her dog.

The lady in question was a member of the Byass family famous for making sherry.

She regularly walked her dogs on the cliffs of Lyme but on this particular Easter holiday such a mundane pastime ended in tragedy.

After failing to return home, the dog walker was reported missing when just one dog was found.

I went out with a search party but she and her other dog were never found. It was presumed that she and her pet had sunk into quicksand.

As kid we often played on the cliffs but I had not been on those cliffs to the east of the town for many years and was surprised by the extent of the erosion. Parts looked like the surface of the moon.

◆ In my next 50 years in journalism column I tell the story of one of the most frightening things to happen to me when I was left high in dry in downtown Johannesburg when the taxi in which I was travelling was buffered off the road by police.

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Is housing the best use of Old Courthouse land?

■ IT IS certainly about time that something was done about the Old Courthouse and Police Station in Axminster, unused since 2001 and 2016 respectively.

However, I am not sure whether building housing on the land is really making the best use of it.

When it was mooted that the police station was to be closed with the officers making use of the fire station just down the road, I did voice an opinion to many people that it would have been a much better plan for the two buildings to be knocked down and a purpose built fire station and police officers' office built on it with the old fire station being knocked down and that land sold off for housing.

It seems to me a much better idea for both the police and the fire service to have quick and easy access to Lyme Road rather than the present position of having to come out into Lea Combe and get past all the cars parked on a road which is too narrow to take two-way traffic most of the time.

If the fire station was positioned properly they could have direct access on to Lyme Road and there is no reason why they could not have traffic lights placed on all access roads that they could operate themselves in an emergency to stop traffic on all the approach roads for the few seconds it would take them to start off on their call-out.

Whilst I appreciate this could have been a more expensive exercise and do not know who would be benefitting from the proceeds of the land, I do feel that the present fire station/police office is much more ideally situated for housing as against its current use.

JERRY LACK,
Axminster

Tory candidate should face electorate

■ I GATHER that Sir Hugo Swire, like Mrs May, will not be attending any hustings during the current election period. Presumably this is to protect themselves from awkward questions.

So far as I can ascertain, during the present election campaign only one member of the public has managed to address Mrs May, namely 'Kathy of Abingdon', who "wanted the disabled not to have their money taken from them" (Kathy now has to live on £100 a month). Mrs May offered no reply.

Surely it is the moral and democratic duty of a prospective MP, and indeed of a Prime Minister, to debate with competitors and face questions from the electorate?

It is not enough for them to field questions from journalists who may or may not be biased.

MIKE TEMPLE,
Sidmouth

A35 group want action and not words

■ **AN OPEN LETTER TO TIVERTON & HONITON PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATES:** The Wilmington A35 Action Group was established in 2015 and has the support of the residents of Wilmington and Widworthy parish councils.

The village has two major objectives:

- To improve the safety of residents and to improve the general environment in the village by reducing pollution in all its forms from noise, and from vehicles emissions; and
- To seek government commitment to either by-pass Wilmington and other villages through which the A35 passes, or a commitment to build a loop around Wilmington.

The first objective is the subject of a feasibility study recently undertaken by Highways England, and as a result of this study some progress is being made.

However, the long-term objective of either having a loop or a villages by-pass is the only sensible, long-term solution to the problems faced by residents.

Due to the winding and narrow structure of the A35, ever increasing volumes of speeding HGVs and cars through our village pose a danger to residents and cause high levels of pollution in the form of vehicle emissions, noise and vibration effects on properties.

As a group we would be delighted to meet with you to present our case and to provide you with all the data to support our cause.

Assuming you will be canvassing the village, this will give you a hands-on experience of the traffic volumes and the problems associated with the traffic.

Our message is very simple, we will vote in the forthcoming general election for the candidate who undertakes to make our problems their problems and treat the solutions to those problems as a first priority.

We want action, not words.

WILMINGTON A35 ACTION GROUP

■ AT THE pre-election hustings in Axminster Guildhall on May 18th, the candidates responded to a question on hunting for sport.

The Labour, Green and Liberal Democrat candidates all expressed their strong opposition to any repeal of the hunting act.

Guess which candidate supports the hunting of wild animals with a pack of dogs for sport?

It's the Conservative, Neil Parish. Yes, the same person whose manifesto in *Pulman's* (May 30th) includes 'animal welfare'.

Some think that this is a minor issue in a general election. It is anything but.

Supporting this cruel bloodthirsty activity (as Theresa May does) simply signifies that the Nasty Party are still there, if returned to power.

KATHY HACKMAN,
Axminster

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■ THANK you Derek Sturch for an 'Ode to Cloakham Lawns' (*Pulman's View,* May 9th). It reduced me to tears of nostalgia.

I am also Axminster 'born and bred' but my playgrounds were Coombefields, which included the Fair Field where the circus and fair were held, all the way to the Woodbury Lane fields – now Woodbury Way, etc.

Lovely to see the allotments are still in use – my grandfather had a double plot from the age of 18 until he was 88 or so.

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Happy memories. Luckily I still live in an idyllic spot!

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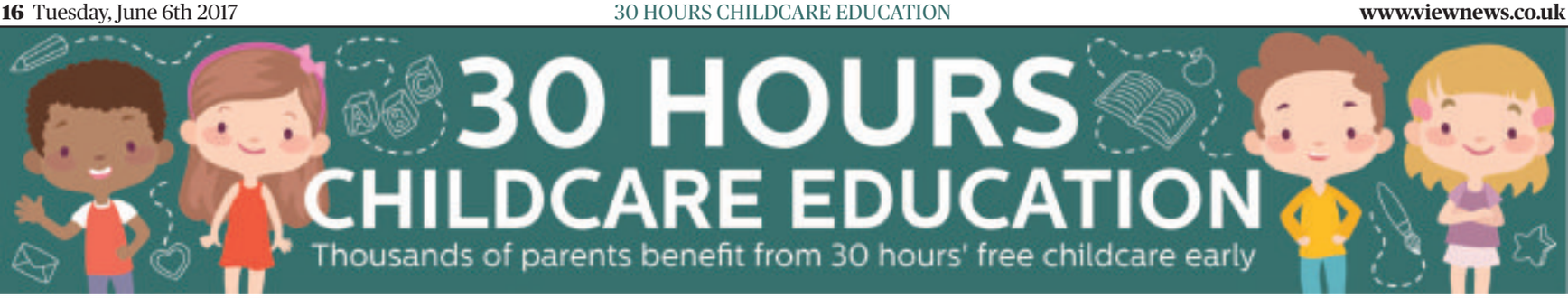

In September Working parents of three to four year olds across the country will be eligible for 30 hours of free childcare a week

PARENTS are currently eligible for 15 hours a week and the change in policy is only available from Ofsted registered nurseries, pre-schools and child-minders.

The new scheme will be introduced later this year and your child must have turned three before the start of the academic year.

The 30 hours of free childcare can be used in term times for 38 weeks or parents can spread the free childcare out over 51 weeks, but by doing so they would only be eligible for 21.5 hours per week.

Will I qualify for 30 hours of free childcare?

Parents of three and four year olds will need to meet the following criteria in order to be eligible for 30 hours of free childcare.

• They earn or expect to earn the equivalent to 16 hours at National Minimum or Living Wage over the coming three months.

• This equates to £120 a week (or c.£6,000 a year) for each parent over 25 years old or £112.80 a week (or c.£5,800 a year) for each parent between 21 and 24 years old and £56 a week for apprentices in their first year.

• This applies whether you are in paid employment, self-employed or on zero hours contract.

• The parent (and their partner where applicable) should be seeking the free childcare to enable them to work.

• Where one or both parents are on maternity, paternity, shared parental or adoption leave, or if they are on statutory sick leave.

• Where one parent meets the income criteria and the other is unable to work because they are disabled, have caring responsibilities or have been assessed as having limited capability to work.

• Where a parent is in a 'start-up period' (i.e. they are newly self-employed) they do not need to demonstrate that they meet the income criteria for 12 months.

• If one or both parents is a non-EEA national, the parent applying must have recourse to public funds.

A parent will not meet the criteria when:

• Either parent has an income of more than £100,000.

• If one or both parents is a non-EEA national and the parent applying does not have recourse to public funds.

What happens if a parent loses eligibility?

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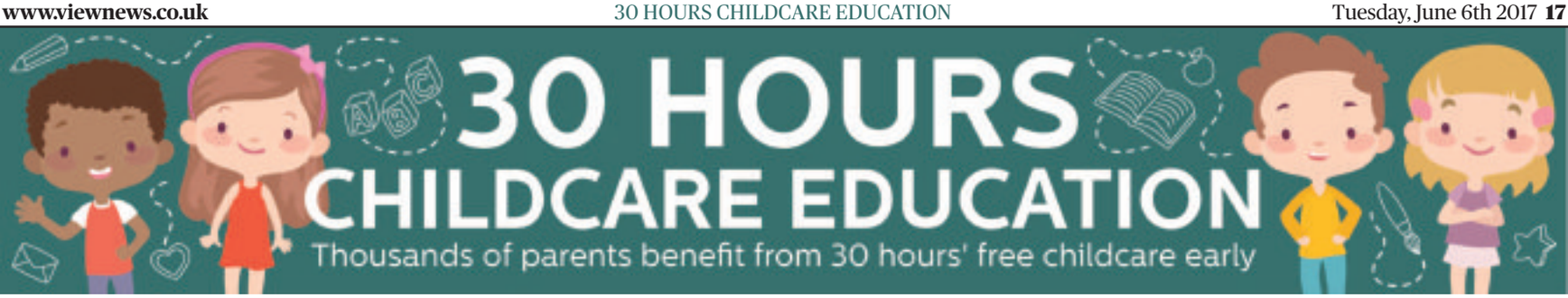

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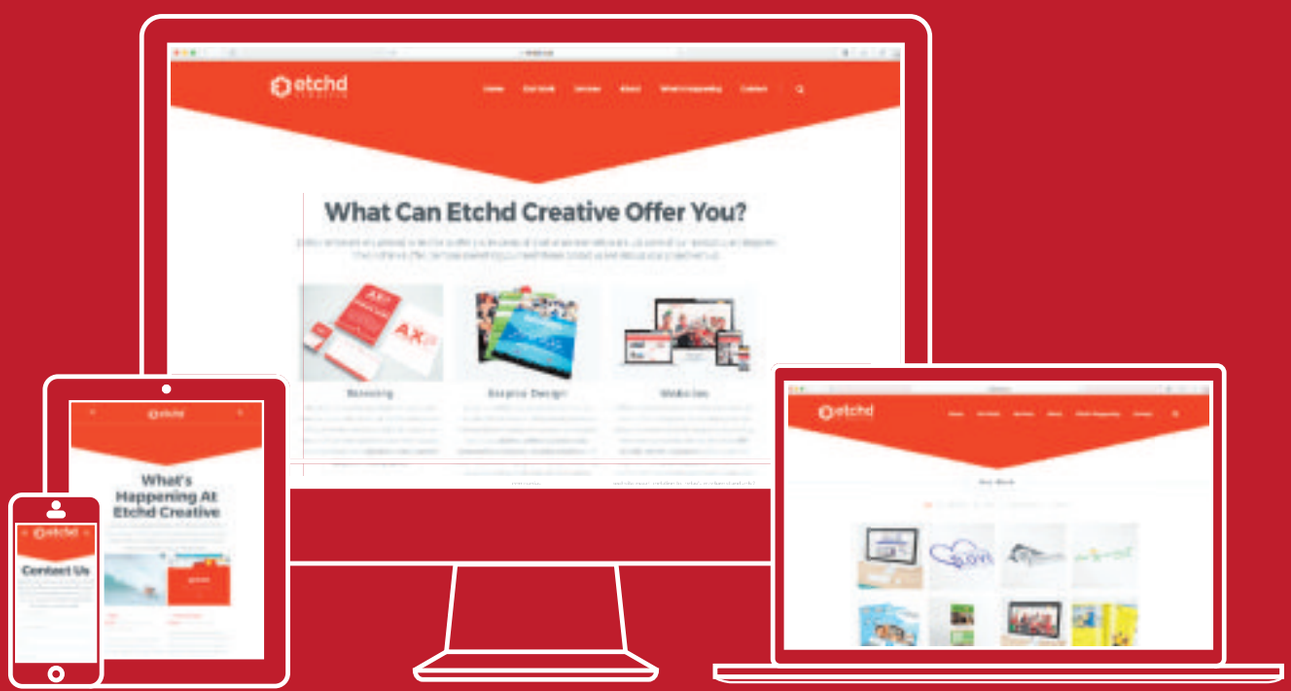

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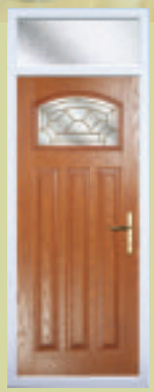

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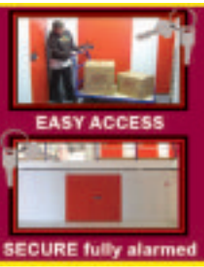

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Fascinating flamenco at the arts centre

FOUR of the South-West's finest exponents of flamenco return to Ilminster Arts Centre on Friday, June 16th, to present an evening of Spanish dance and guitar. As with last year's sell-out event, the line-up features flamenco dancers Aneta Skut and Victoria Clifford, accompanied by guitarist Cuffy Cuthbert, and vocalist and percussionist Jaime Cantera.

Together the group will take the audience on an atmospheric journey to the Spanish south, through the medium of its passionate and uniquely expressive music and dance.

To make the evening even more immersive, a pre-show supper of authentic Iberian cuisine is also being offered (advance booking essential).

Aneta Skut discovered her passion for dance as a child but when flamenco captured her soul she followed its path to Spain, to study in Madrid and in Andalucia. Aneta's style combines influences from both east and west - a fusion representing her life journey through different countries. Fellow dancer Victoria Clifford has also studied flamenco in Spain; she and Aneta make a formidable flamenco team.

■ Aneta Skut

Cuffy Cuthbert's fascination with flamenco also drew him to Spain, where he has studied and performed with many different musicians, dancers and singers. Jaime Cantera's roots are in Spain and Cuba. He writes many of the lyrics of the songs he sings, absorbing influences from different world music styles such as afro, Latin, gypsy, reggae and pop.

The flamenco evening promises to be another unforgettable evening at Ilminster Arts Centre and advance booking is advised. Tickets are £10, and a pre-show supper is available for £14 at 7pm, but must be pre-booked. For more details or to book call the box office on 01460 54973.

CLOKS head to the jungle

THE cast of CLOKS are in the final stages of rehearsing for their forthcoming production of Disney's *The Jungle Book / Back From the Jungle*. The show will be in the Guildhall in Chard on Thursday, June 29th at 7.30pm, Friday 30th at 7.30pm, and Saturday, June 1st at 2.30pm and 7.30pm.

CLOKS present a timeless classic and a show that encompasses the values of love and friendship within an Indian community- two shows for the price of one!

Tickets are available from Barron's, Chard. Adults are £8, concessions £5 and we also offer a family ticket for £20 (two adults and two children). Tickets are going fast so don't miss out!

■ Bagheera (Olivia Coles, Baloo (Seb Horne) and Mowgli (Henry Colvin)

■ Bagheera (Issy Swarbrick), Baloo (Addi Coath) and Mowgli (Max Thompson)

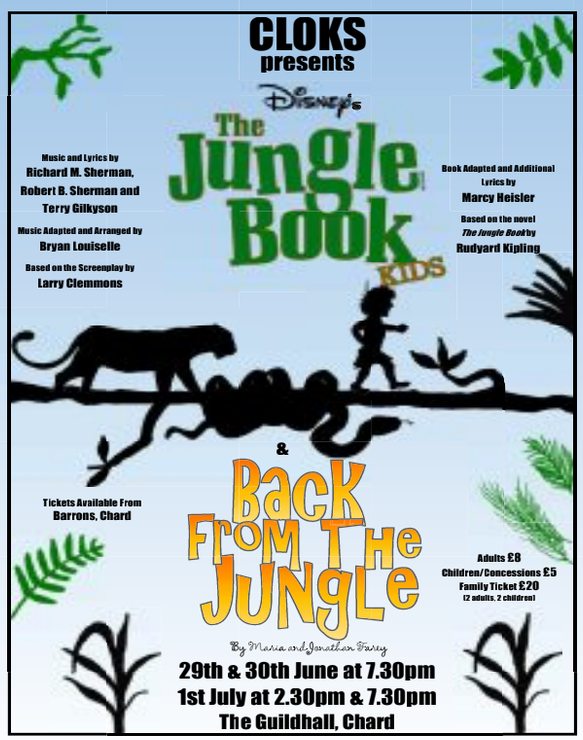
Club's tear jerker is on the way

GET your tissues ready for Axminster Drama Club Youth's latest show, *Blood Brothers*.

This famous tear jerker will be performed by the club's talented members, who range in age from nine to 19, shortly at The Axminster Guildhall.

Tickets are now available at cost of only £8 either from Archway Bookshop in Church Street or online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/axminster-drama-club

The show opens on Thursday, June 22nd, with further performances on Friday 23rd, and afternoon and evening performances on Saturday 25th.



Diary Dates

TUESDAY JUNE 6TH

COLYFORD: Bingo - Cash Prizes. In aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare@Home. Doors open 7pm - Eyes Down 7.45pm. Colyford Memorial Hall. Ample free parking.

AXMINSTER: Axminster & District Probus Club for retired and semi-retired business and professional men meets at 10.00 for 10.30am at its new venue, Cricket St. Thomas Golf Club near Chard, for a talk by Mrs V. Sutherland on 'Old Dogs, New Tricks' and an optional lunch. For further details ring 01460 220528.

CREWKERNE: Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre – Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

CREWKERNE: Henhayes Knitters at Henhayes Centre. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

CHARD: Chard Ladies' Evening Guild will have a talk by Richard Raynsford about the Glastonbury Festival. All are welcome to join us at 7.15 at Manor Court School, Chard.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 7TH

SEATON: Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com

ILMINSTER: Meditation and Speaker: Ian Adams. Share an evening of poetry, photography, stillness and presence. At St Mary's Church, 7pm.

KILMINGTON: Moviola screening of 'La La Land' at Kilmington Village Hall, doors and bar (wine & soft drinks) open at 6.45 film starts 7.15pm. Tickets £5 in advance or £5.50 on the door, book your ticket by phone: John on 01297 32335. For more information about the film and alternative pre-booking option visit: www.kilmingtonvillage.com/moviola.htm

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society next coach trip is going to the Gardens of Clovelly, leaving Uplyme Village Hall at 9am. Brian Cursley (07831 553580) is taking bookings at a cost of £20 (visitors £3 extra) - book early to avoid disappointment!

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - sew, knit & natter, 10.30am. All welcome; details from Jill (01460 72837)

SEATON: Bounce & Rhyme at Seaton Library. 9.30 - 10am. Half an hour of song and rhyme for under 5s and their carers. Free drop in session, no booking required.

SOUTH PETHERTON: Sausage making course at Frogmary Green Farm, 7.30-9pm. For more details call 01460 249758.

COLYFORD: Women's Institute, 2pm in the Memorial Hall. Speaker will be talking about Chinese Brush Art. More information from Elizabeth on 01297 624250.

BEER: The next speaker at Beer W.I is Helen Kearney: a small holder and herbalist. The title of her talk is 'Hedgerow Medicine.' The talk is open to all and starts 7.30pm upstairs in the Mariner's Hall. £3 non-members, including a cup of tea.

ILMINSTER: Photography and Poetry reading - Ian Adams - £5. At St Mary's Church. Rediscovering peace and belonging. Meditation 7pm, donation.

CREWKERNE: Bingo at Henhayes Centre – £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games – "eyes down" at 2.30pm. Bar open, refreshments available, raffle.

THURSDAY JUNE 8TH

AXMINSTER: Music at the Minster: Lunchtime concert. Peter Lea-Cox and Richard Godfrey - two pianos. At the Minster, 12.30pm. Lunch at 1.05pm. For more details call 01297 32927. Donations towards the upkeep of the church.

COLYTON: Historical Walking Tours of Colyton. Every Thursday until September 28th at 2pm. Meet at the Dolphin Street Car park. Booking not necessary. £3 for adults, under 16s Free. To arrange a walk for a larger group please phone 01297 552514

CREWKERNE: English Folk Dance. St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street, 8-1pm Every Thursday. £3.50. First visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 01460 75760.

CHARD: Chard Royal Naval Association will be meeting at the Chard RFC Essex Close at 7.30pm for their bi monthly social where the members will be entertained by local man Mr Bernard Genge giving a talk on life as a former Royal Naval Medic. The association is always on the look out for new members who can gain further details by contacting the branch secretary Mr Gary Pennells on 01460 77978.

CLAPTON: Community Coffee Morning, hosted by Clapton & Wayford Village Hall from 10am – mid-day. There will be a cake stall & raffle; all contributions welcomed. Do come and join us, to support your local facility, whilst meeting friends & neighbours or getting to know new people; combine it with voting! All welcome. More details from Julia (01460 72769)

AXMINSTER: Whist Drive at the Bradshaw Room, Axminster Heritage Centre, Silver Street. Tea and biscuits, good prizes.

SEATON: Seaton Garden Club monthly meeting will take place at 2.30pm at the Masonic Hall, Queen Street, Seaton. Talk by Peter Cantrill from Dayspring Nurseries entitled "The Garden in June". Also plants for sale. Visitors welcome, charge £2. to include refreshments. Contact details: 01297 24049

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre – 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non- members

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 – 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

FRIDAY JUNE 9TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866.

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall – 'Food on Friday', mid-day for 12.30pm start. Good two course meal + roll & butter and unlimited tea/coffee. Special diets can be catered for if requested in advance. Open to all ages; very friendly atmosphere; newcomers really welcomed, but please book places in advance by phoning June (01460 77057) or Jackie (01460 72324), who will also provide more information if required.

SEATON: Seaton Knits at Seaton Library. 10.30am - 12 noon. Free social knitting group for all abilities. Drop in session, no booking required.

CHARD: Cinechard will be showing the film 'Lion' on Friday 9 June at the Guildhall, Chard. Film time is 7.30pm with doors open at 7pm. Tickets £5 Adults, £2.50 children are available from Chard Post Office, Barron's or Eleos, or on the door at £6 and £3 respectively. Refreshments and bar available.

SATURDAY JUNE 10TH

HINTON ST GEORGE: Hinton St. George 'Flix in the Stix' presents 'Jackie' (15), in the Hinton Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50p on the door. To reserve Tickets please contact Bob Kefford on 01460 72563.

AXMINSTER: Axminster and District Choral Society presents 'Summer Songs' at the Minster, from 7pm. Rutter: 'The Sprig of Time', Elgar: 'From the Bavarian Highlands' and other pieces. Conducted by Peter Parshall. Tickets £10.00 from Archway Books, Church St, Axminster, members of the choir or phone 01404 881 838.

COMBE ST NICHOLAS: Combe St Nicholas PFA and Combe st Nicholas football club are organising "The West Country Food Festival" 11am-12noon. Lots of street food stalls and local produce, bar, BBQ, Live music and entertainment. A day of family fun, celebrating local businesses and raising money for the school and football club. Free parking and small entrance fee.

BEER: Wurlitzer Theatre Organ Show - David Ivory returns with a lively afternoon of music for all at the Congregational Church, Fore Street, Beer, EX12 3JQ. The show starts at 2pm, admission £7.00 on the door, children free, everyone welcome. For further info visit www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk or phone 01297 24892.

YARCOMBE: Yarcombe Market at Yarcombe Village Hall, cakes, veg, cards, bric-a-brac, lots more, or just come and have a coffee.

AWLISCOMBE: Awliscombe and Weston annual Fete at the Otter Inn gardens Weston. Free entry and parking, starts 1pm.Many stalls inc. Books, Plants, Cakes Crafts and Bric-a-brac. Fun games for all ages, face painting, bouncy castle, river duck race, fun dog show and much more.

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Deadline is Friday 4pm for the following Tuesday's publication. Please ensure dates are included for all listings - weekly listings without dates may not be published.

You'll definitely want more of STAG's next show!

Performances of Oliver to take place in Kilmington

S.T.A.G. (Shute Theatre and Arts Guild) are proud to be presenting Lionel Bart's *Oliver* at Kilmington Village Hall in a couple of weeks.

Directors, Anna Crabbe (Music) and Heather White (Stage) look forward to welcoming you to this production with its marvellous cast and live musical accompaniment which promises to be a stunning night out.

Rehearsals are well underway and the directors, cast and crew are enjoying immensely the preparations for the show for you to enjoy. The cast, with ages ranging from eight to well, shall we say more senior in years, are working hard and can't wait for the opening night.

Oliver is played by young STAG Levi. Levi had a small part in Lyme Regis community production of *'Oh What a Lovely War'* as part of Lyme youth theatre and has taken part in plays at Marshwood School playing the lead in his final year there. He is very excited about playing the part of Oliver in this production. No doubt he'll be seeking more opportunities to get onstage for years to come.

■ Tucker Stevens

Fagin is played by Tucker Stevens who trained at the Academy Drama School in Whitechapel London, and has a string of professional theatre roles to his credit, from Shakespeare to Panto, he was a member of the Original Shakespeare Company playing at the Globe Theatre and at Hampton Court and is no stranger to the role of Fagin.

From T.V. (*Eastenders*, *London's Burning* and *Ivanhoe*) to the big screen (*Tomorrow Never Dies* and *Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy*) Tucker now treads the boards for us in this iconic role. We are privileged to have him as part of our cast.

Tom Miller, playing The Artful Dodger, has been involved with live theatre since he was four years old through Stagecoach, involved in productions including *Sweeney Todd*, *The Ice Queen* and *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. Tom also played Fagin in a production of Oliver with the Pauline Quirk Academy performing in Exeter when he was 11. A young man dedicated to the performing arts world.

Don't miss this wonderful production at Kilmington Village Hall – June 21st to 25th at 7.30pm. Tickets are available online at www.shutetheatreandartsguild.org.uk or from our box offices

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TV regular to headline comedy night

ANOTHER top line up of comedy talent comes to the Pilot Boat in Lyme Regis this Saturday night headlined by another TV regular.

The star of this month's show, Henry Paker (pictured right), has appeared on Russell Howard's Good News, Seann Walsh's World and Edinburgh and Beyond as well as numerous Radio 4 shows. Henry is a real crowd pleaser with hugely relatable routines on everyday life peppered with punchlines from start to finish.

Having won the Leicester Mercury Comedian of the Year award in 2008 Henry has since gone on to have a run of critically accalimed Edinburgh Fringe Festival shows and is now one of the most sought after headline acts on the comedy circuit.

Hnery will be joined by twitter star (@littlelostlad) turned comedian Jake Lambert (left). Having honed his writing skills on Twitter Jake now has a live set to rival his online output with stories filled with clever one liners and snappy asides. Jake is quickly ascending the comedy ladder and recent tour support slots for both Seann Walsh and Rob Beckett have seen him gain a new legion of followers. A star in the making who will undoubtedly be a TV regular before too long.

Completing the line up will be two new comedy talents, Drew Taylor and Tom Taylor, hailing from Wales and Bristol respectively. Both uniquely different acts carving a name for themselves on the busy new act circuit.

Resident compere Tom Glover will once again be at the helm for the night, chatting with the club's regular crowd and getting to know all the newcomers.

The next Pilot Boat Comedy night will be on Saturday, June 10th at 8pm, doors open at 7pm. Tickets are £10 and are available from the bar on 01297 443157.

English Civil War 1644

Man the Barricades!

Saturday, June 10th from 10.30am to 4.00pm Colyton

COLYTON'S English Civil War Day day begins on Saturday, June 10th at 10.30am in Market Place, with the opening of the Country Market by Colyton's Town Crier, accompanied by the local folk singing ensemble, The Chantry Buoys.

With plenty of action swirling around the narrow streets, the highlight of the day will be the exciting armed barricade scenes in the morning and afternoon.

Entertainment will feature the arrival of Prince Maurice for the King, mounted cavaliers and Sir Walter Erle a Parliamentarian from Stedcombe, Axmouth. Peter Bagwell, a Feoffee, will be on hand to steady the townsfolk and lead the march to support the local militia in defence of the town.

The famous Taunton Garrison, in full period costume, will be representing the Colyton Town Militia defending the town at the barricade. The Garrison welcomes all visitors to the Living History Camp set on the picturesque St Andrew's Church Green.

After such a momentous occasion, the day draws to a peaceful close when the Town Militia, joined by townsfolk, and principal characters will parade into St Andrew's Church for a Drumhead Service.

We hope you enjoy your day that the good people of Colyton have worked hard to stage. Come along and join in this special event – you will receive a very warm welcome from all.

Car Parking

The town centre will be very congested, please use special car parking areas – only £1 per car. Please support the event and buy a souvenir programme £1

Civil War Social Evening - Colyton Peace Memorial Playing Fields.

After the excitement of the day in the town centre, come along, relax and enjoy an evening of open air entertainment. It starts with the live streaming of the World Cup qualification game England v Scotland football match from 5pm in the Pavilion. The conclusion is the symbolic burning at dusk of Colcombe Abbey & Stedcombe House that were attacked during the Civil War skirmishes between the rivaling Parliamentarians and Loyalists. During the evening, there will be a performance by local band Sunshine Samba followed with sessions from the popular Must be Mad. Soloist "Jess" will complete the entertainment line-up.

The Bar-B-Q & Licensed Bar will hopefully keep those attending fed and watered. There is something for all ages so bring the whole family along.

Admission is free.

Barricades were erected around the town to keep warring factions out. Colyton Townsfolk were not happy!

Folk fun for all in South Petherton

MORRIS DANCERS and Appalachian dancing; Blues, Celtic rock and busking in the pub; Punch and Judy, face painting and storytelling; a 'festival of choirs' in the church. These are just some of the events being arranged for the 6th Petherton Folk Fest on Saturday, June 17th, which offers a day of completely free fun and entertainment for people of all ages.

It will start at 9.45am with a parade into South Petherton's Market Square by Morris 'sides' and other performers, followed by the traditional Ceremony of the Glove – which is an ancient part of Petherton folklore. There will be music and dance in the Square all day until 6.30pm and visitors can also enjoy entertainment in The Blake Hall, The David Hall, The Brewer's Arms and the grounds and interior of St Peter and St Paul's Church. Plus, stallholders located in and around Market Square will be selling food and drink as well as local crafts, and refreshments will also be served in the church.

The official opening will be performed at 10am by Dave Longly who, from the mid-1980s, was involved in the hugely successful Petherton Folk Festival that started in the 1970s and ran until the late '90s. He will introduce Ian Baker, a member of Petherton Arts Trust, who will be MC throughout the day.

Petherton Folk Fest is continuing a tradition that began in 1231 and a key part of the event is Clipping the Church when, at 12noon, a chain of people hold hands and surround the church.

Throughout the day, varied entertainment in Market Square will include Irish dace by the talented youngsters from Yetminster, clog and belly dancing and, for the first time, Scottish country dance and Flamenco. At 11am, music gigs on the main stage in the Square will be opened by Velvet & Stone, an Indie-Folk band from Devon who combine rich vocals with acoustic guitar, bass riffs, keys and violin. Other entertainers on the main stage will include singer/songwriter and guitar player, Phil King, and singer and fiddler Hannah Cumming, who will be accompanied on double bass by Jon Dyer. The Celtic Rock and Roots four-piece band, The Dambuskers, will close the day's programme with a gig starting at 5.30pm.

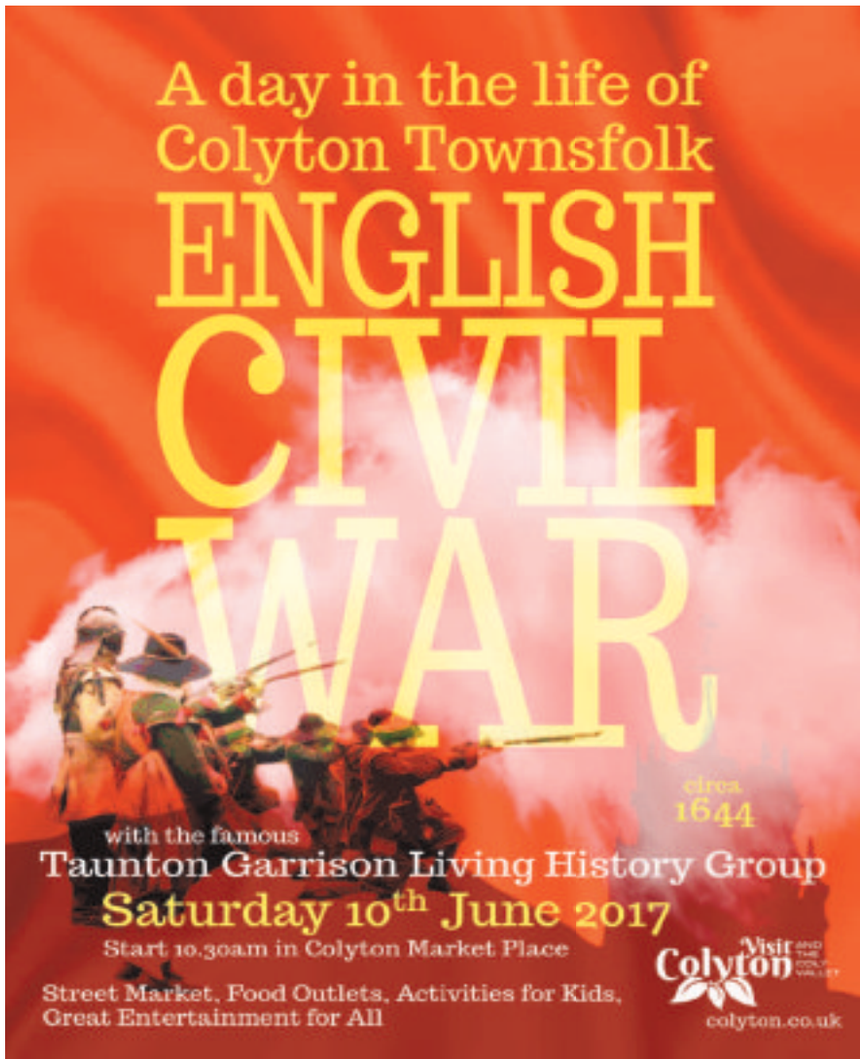
Opening an afternoon of music gigs in The David Hall will be Owl in the Sun, a six-piece West Country band whose melody-driven songs blend shades of contemporary Folk, Americana and Gypsy Jazz in a sound which is all their own. Other performers in The David Hall include Somerset-based singer/guitarist Kitty Macfarlane, who is touring this year with Kathryn Roberts and Sean Lakeman; Unsung Roots, the Folk duo featuring Seth Bye and Katie Griffin; Jack Cookson, a multi-instrumentalist and singer/songwriter who hails from the South West; the Somerset-based award-winning Folk artist, Sharon Martin, and Phil Cooper, a contemporary singer/songwriter well-known for making a real connection with his audience.

Events for children will take place throughout the day, starting with a music workshop in The David Hall. There will also be a Morris workshop and puppet show in the Blake Hall and Maypole dancing, storytelling and a Punch and Judy show in the church grounds.

Pete Wheeler, Chair of the Folk Fest committee, says: "We were really pleased with the brilliant support we received in 2016 and I feel sure that this year's event will have an even bigger draw. Our objective is to provide entertainment for everyone, regardless of age, and the variety of events featured in the programme should mean that visitors can find something to enjoy every minute of the day."

The Chairman added that a performance by the multi-award-winning Folk singer Lucy Ward, at The David Hall on the evening of Friday, June 16th, would be a great way to start the weekend; and for those who would like more music in the evening after the Folk Fest, The Dambuskers will be playing in The Brewers Arms at 9pm.

More information can be found at www.pethertonfolkfest.org.uk



Diary Dates

SATURDAY JUNE 10TH

COLYTON: Colyton - English Civil War Event - A Day in the Life of Colyton Townsfolk c1644. A costumed re-enactment with the famous Taunton Garrison. The market opens at 10.30am followed by a full days activities around the town. Come along and enjoy a great day out. Please use special car parks, only £1, as town centre will be very congested. For more info visit web site: colyton.co.uk

BRIDPORT: Family Folk Music session at Bridport Library. Free. All ages welcome. (No unaccompanied children.)

SUNDAY JUNE 11TH

MIDDLE CHINNOCK: Open Gardens Middle Chinnock TA18 7PN. 2-6pm. Teas/plants/church flower festival open all weekend. Admission £4 (under 12s free). In aid of St. Margaret's church

SOUTH PETHERTON: Open Farm Sunday at Frogmary Green Farm, 11am-4pm. For more details call 01460 249758

BRIDPORT: Historical dance class at Bridport Town Hall, 1.30-4 pm. £5. No partner needed, nor previous experience. 01935 472771 or thedancingmaster@outlook.com.

MONDAY JUNE 12TH

MISTERTON: Bingo at Misterton Village Hall. Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm.

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre – 9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members/ £3 for non- members. Transport available for second session, ring Centre to book.

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 7 – 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

TUESDAY JUNE 13TH

SIDMOUTH: East Devon Organ Club at Primley Road Church Hall (EX10 9LH). Mark Thompson will perform at 7.30pm.

COLYFORD: Bingo - Cash Prizes. In aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare@Home. Doors open 7pm - Eyes Down 7.45pm. Colyford Memorial Hall. Ample free parking.

CHARD: Chard WI meeting at Chard Baptist Church Rooms, Holyrood Street TA20 2AH. Speaker from St Margaret's Hospice, starts 7.30. New members welcome. Call Johanna on 01460 68133 for more information. Meetings first Tuesday of every month.

CREWKERNE: Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre – Questions answered and help provided. 10.00 am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

CREWKERNE: Henhayes Knitters. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

YEOVIL: YouCanSing informal music session. At Lockwood Court, Stilby Road 2-4 pm. £3. For people with and without disabilities. Info: 01935 472771 or thedancingmaster@outlook.com

WEDNESDAY JUNE 14TH

SEATON: Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway, Fore Stree. Yoga for everybody, £5 . All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk for more details

SEATON: Restless Theatre Company bring live professional theatre to Winstons Pub Theatre with "End of the Line" Join the train conductor and a young passenger as they both try to find a way forward in the journey of life. Start time is 7.15pm. Tickets from Winstons Bar, Harbour Road, and from Steve's News in Seaton and other outlets in Colyton and Axminster. £7 in advance and £10 on the door. Advance booking recommended as space is limited. For more information ring 01297 20555

CREWKERNE: Bingo at Henhayes Centre – £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games – "eyes down" at 2.30pm. Bar open, refreshments available, raffle.

THURSDAY JUNE 15TH

AXMINSTER: Music at the Minster: Lunchtime concert. Axminster Chamber Choir - mixed voices. At the Minster, 12.30pm. Lunch at 1.05pm. For more details call 01297 32927. Donations towards the upkeep of the church.

COLYTON: Historical Walking Tours of Colyton. Every Thursday until September 28th at 2pm. Meet at the Dolphin Street Car park. Booking not necessary. £3 for adults, under 16s Free. To arrange a walk for a larger group please phone 01297 552514

CREWKERNE: English Folk Dance. St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street, 8-1pm Every Thursday. £3.50. First visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 01460 75760.

CHARD: Chard Camera Club will be meeting at the Chard Baptist Church Hall at 7.30pm for an in house Digitally Projected Image competition covering the subjects of Movement, Country life and an Open category. The club would like to have more members and is actively seeking a younger audience/membership so you youngsters out there please get in contact via the clubs website www.chardcameraclub.org.uk or by ringing the members secretary Mrs Joyce Partridge 01460 66885

CREWKERNE: Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre – 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2.00 for members/ £3.00 for non- members

CREWKERNE: Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 – 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

FRIDAY JUNE 16TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866.

CHAFFCOMBE: 'No Finer Life' a play adapted by Graham Harvey, the agricultural advisor for The Archers, and is based on the autobiography of Elizabeth Henderson, who originally came from a village near Ilminster. She became a land girl in Oxfordshire and married a best selling author/farmer George Henderson (The Farming Ladder). It tells her story between the 1940's and the present day. There will also be an after show talk by Graham Harvey. At Chaffcombe Village Hall. Tickets are £9 available from Elaine 01460 65909 or Jean 01460 64553

BEER: Bingo at Mariners Hall. Doors open 7pm eyes down 8pm.

AXMINSTER: Annual General Meeting of the League of Friends of Axminster Hospital. Guest speaker Mr John Thompson, vascular surgeon.

CREWKERNE: Special lunch at Henhayes Centre - roast chicken followed by strawberry gateau. 12 for 12.30pm. 3 courses for £8. Bar open, booking essential.

SATURDAY JUNE 17TH

SIDMOUTH: Dancing with the Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. Theme 'Glorious Devon', at Stowford Centre (A3052). 8-11pm. Free parking. Bring your own snacks. Tea/coffee and biscuits provided. Pay on the door £6.

CHISELBOROUGH: Chiselborough Village Street Fair, 2pm. Lots of stalls, grand raffle, refreshments in the village hall. Flower festival in the church.

WOOLMINSTONE: Annual Hewish walk (approximately 2.5 miles, mainly along quiet lanes) & tea, starting at Woolcott, Woolminstone, 2.30pm. All welcome, including accompanied children & well-behaved dogs. No charge, but donations for Bible Society funds would be appreciated. It would be helpful to know numbers in advance, for catering purposes; contributions to the tea gratefully accepted. Details from 01460 74849 or 01460 76541.

SOUTH PETHERTON: Frogmary's Summer BBQ, 7pm til late. Live music by the pond, bar, BBQ. At Frogmary Green Farm. £12 per person includes BBQ and salads. For more details call 01460 249758.

AXMINSTER: Bake sale at fete at Oak House Care Home. The proceeds of the bake sale will go the the Alzheimer society and the proceeds of the fete will go to our residents funds to enable us to take them out on trips and enable them to have a better quality of life.

HONITON: Coffee morning for Christian Aid at St Paul's Church, 9.30-12noon. Cakes, books, bric-a-brac, tombola, raffle, refreshments.

SATURDAY JUNE 17TH & SUNDAY JUNE 18TH

BEER: Charity Weekend with 14 Open Gardens, including Pecorama, from 11:30am to 5.00pm. Garden Programme £5.00 which admits one adult with accompanied children free; available from Village Shop now and Mariners Hall and Gardens on the day. Craft Fair, Street Food and Activities from 10.00am. All proceeds to Seaton Friends Hospiscare @ Home.

KILMINGTON: Two gardens opening their gates from 1.30-5pm each day. Please come and support us at Breach (Judith Chapman & B J Lewis), off Shute Road and Spinney Two (Paul and Celia Dunsford), Shute Road. Home-made teas at Breach in aid of St. Giles' Church; plants for sale; Wheelchair access to main parts of gardens; dogs welcome on leads. Only £5 combined admission, children FREE.

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The current vendors have recently made many improvements and updated the property throughout including adding a new solid wood kitchen with matching units in the attached dining/sun room, created a utility room, renewed the bathroom and restored the parquet flooring in the hallway and Bedroom 3. As such, this property is ready for immediate occupation.

The property has an attached garage, parking and easy to maintain gardens with the rear gardens having a southerly aspect.

The property is very well presented and enjoys some Estuary views and has uPVC double glazing along with gas fired central heating throughout. This bungalow is worth viewing to appreciate the updating our vendors have carried out and South facing garden. To arrange a viewing, please contact Fortnam Smith & Banwell, Seaton on 01297 23939.

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MORTGAGE FIGURES INDICATE A POSITIVE MARKET

UK HOME buyers borrowed a whopping £11.2 billion in March. Whilst down on this time last year due to the changes in stamp duty and its consequential 'boom' of buy-to-lets, this figure is substantially up on those for earlier this year.

It is certainly enough for Chris White – Sales Manager of Mayfair Town & Country Estate Agents in Crewkerne - to describe them as "remarkably good" and a good suggestion that serious buyers and sellers are "simply getting on with it."

The data was produced by the Council of Mortgage Lenders and, although referring to March, it can be seen as no less encouraging as a comparison to other less positive reports that have surfaced, only providing mere snapshots of the current market.

Of these figures, first-time buyers represented a large, encouraging chunk, borrowing around £4.9 billion – an increase of 29% from February. They also took out 31,500 loans, which was up 30% month-on-month and 12% year-on-year.

Those moving home borrowed £6.2 billion, an increase of 19% from February but down 33% year-on-year - 30,200 loans, which were up 24% month-on-month but down 28% compared to the total in March 2016.

As to be expected, the number of loans and amount borrowed decreased 58% and 60% respectively from the total in March 2016 – when there was a marked increase in activity due to the impending stamp duty surcharge.

▲ Chris White

Chris went on to say: "I'm sure we'll see the number of first time buyers continue to grow as the Bank of Mum and Dad becomes more prevalent, whilst at the same time lenders are offering some really competitive pricing. Many home owners are also choosing to remortgage their property, taking advantage of the many cheap mortgage deals available and the lenders' desire to attract new business. I expect this behaviour to continue well into summer."

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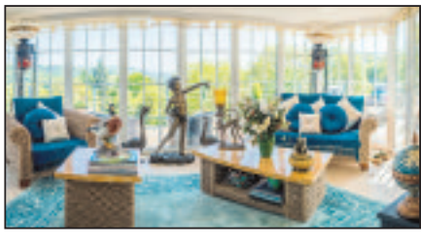

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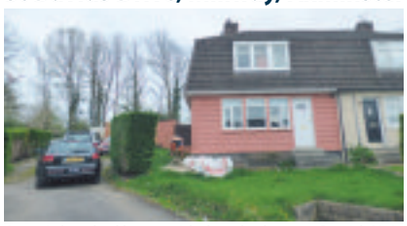

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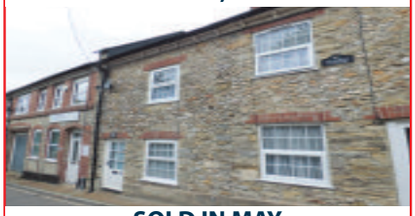

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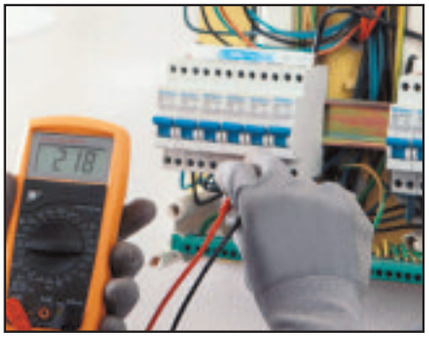

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Q8 SUV is joined by Q4 and three new e-trons on Audi 2020 roadmap

AUDI is facing up to the challenges of the present day but also confidently embracing the future with ambitious plans. Following a year that was impacted by the diesel crisis, the company intends to continue pushing forward with its strategic transformation, the details of which have just been outlined to shareholders by the Board of Management at its Annual General Meeting in Neckarsulm, Germany.

"We are rejuvenating our model portfolio enormously and will renew five existing core model series by mid-2018," stated Rupert Stadler, Chairman of the Board of Management of AUDI AG. "In addition, we will expand our successful Q family by 2019 with two new concepts – the Audi Q8 and the Audi Q4 – and we will launch our battery-electric e-tron models." Audi plans to launch three new electric models by 2020, after which the brand will gradually electrify models in each of its core series.

■ The New Audi Q8 SUV

The focus this year is on top-end models with the new generations of the Audi A8 and Audi A7. The premium manufacturer will unveil the A8 at the first Audi Summit to be held in Barcelona on July 11. With this new event concept, the Ingolstadt-based company will create an exclusive presentation format all around the Four Rings. "There, we will show the world everything that defines Vorsprung durch Technik and our brand," explained Stadler.

Over 30% fully or partially electric sales by 2025

Audi is systematically utilising Group synergies in order to implement topics of the future even faster and more efficiently. In April, the brand agreed on new development cooperation with Porsche for future vehicle architectures. Part of the cooperation is the development of shared premium architecture for electrification – an effective lever to enhance the competitiveness of electric cars. By 2025, Audi intends to achieve a proportion of one third fully or partially electric models in its unit sales.

In addition to the traditional car business, the premium brand will expand its range of digital services in the future. With myAudi, the company aims to create a consistent entry into the brand's digital world and establish a platform for a wide range of online services, which will be open also for third-party providers to offer services. Audi is also expanding its mobility services for urban areas and intends to offer them in more than 15 markets worldwide by the end of this decade.

With a subsidiary founded in March 2017, Audi will take over the leading role within the Volkswagen Group in the development of autonomous driving. Autonomous Intelligent Driving GmbH is working on the technology for driverless vehicles in urban environments, which will be applicable in models of various brands. The technology is to be ready for application in a first small series of cars early in the next decade.

"We are financing our transformation out of our own resources," said Axel Strotbek, Member of the Board of Management of AUDI AG for Finance, IT and Integrity. "Our business operations are robust also in the currently challenging situation. On the side of expenditure and investment, our 'Speed up!' program is helping us to achieve a high level of efficiency and thus a maximum focus on the topics of the future."

In the first quarter of 2017, the Audi Group achieved an operating profit of more than 1.2 billion. With an operating return on sales of 8.7 percent, the company clearly met its profitability target. The net cash flow increased to more than 1.5 billion.

In full-year 2017, the company intends to slightly increase deliveries of Audi-brand cars compared with the number of 1,867,738 automobiles delivered in 2016. Revenue should also slightly surpass the prior-year level of 59.3 billion. In terms of operating return on sales, following the 5.1 percent of last year, Audi now plans to achieve its strategic target corridor of 8 to 10 percent once again. In 2016, operating profit was reduced by 1.8 billion and operating return on sales by 3.1 percentage points due to special items in connection with the diesel crisis and Takata airbags.

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Vauxhall offers a grand deal to young drivers

Vauxhall is helping young drivers (aged 18-24) cover the initial cost of getting on the road, with a £1,000 (including VAT) insurance contribution when they buy a Corsa Limited Edition.

Young drivers can combine the insurance contribution with one of Vauxhall's great finance offers, helping to make the cost of motoring more affordable. With a variety of competitive offers to choose from, including Personal Contract Payment plans, the Corsa is a fantastic option to get young drivers on the road.

The Corsa Limited Edition is ideally suited as a first car, with a host of features that make the model stand out from the crowd. On the outside, 17-inch black alloy wheels, front lower spoiler, side sills, VXR-style roof spoiler and a chrome-effect exhaust give the model an imposing road presence, while sports suspension and LED daytime running lights enhance performance and driver visibility.

Inside, the Corsa Limited Edition offers exceptional comfort and connectivity. Sports-style front seats, VX-Line interior pack (VX-Line leather covered flat-bottom steering wheel, VX-Line leather covered gear knob and handbrake lever), air conditioning and tinted rear windows give all occupants extra comfort. Vauxhall's latest generation IntelliLink system with smartphone integration and audio streaming keeps the driver connected and able to change the journey playlist to suit, when it's safe to do so.

"We are all aware of the high insurance premiums faced by young drivers, so to help young drivers get on the road Vauxhall has introduced a £1,000 insurance contribution programme," said Leon Caruso, Vauxhall's Retail Sales Director. "The Corsa Limited Edition is a great choice as a first or second car, with dynamic design features and superb connectivity, all backed up by excellent safety equipment."

The insurance contribution programme is available now for a limited time while stocks last, and is eligible on new Corsa Limited Edition models ordered and registered before 30th June 2017. Customers must be aged 18-24 and hold a full driving licence.

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■ Two young drivers enjoy a grand saving

Above the influence: Tips from IAM RoadSmart

ILLEGAL substances can affect drivers in several ways, making them unfit for the road. But it is not only illegal drugs that we should be wary of. Prescribed or over the counter drugs can have similar negative affect's on motorists too and driving while impaired by medication could see you banned from using the road. This week's tips give advice on riding and driving with prescribed medication, from IAM RoadSmart's head of driving and riding standards Richard Gladman.

- Always ask your GP when the medication is prescribed and then confirm the information by reading your medication leaflet before you take it. This can often be overlooked as more pressing medical matters are at the forefront of your mind.If you need further details or advice about your medication ask the pharmacist or get back in touch with your medical professional. Some drugs are based on banned substances but if you stick to a prescription you will not be breaking the law, but your driving can still be impaired.
- If you feel in any way affected by your medication don't take the chance; use a designated driver or use a taxi. Don't risk your or others lives by driving when your concentration or reactions are impaired.
- If you are not sure whether you can drive with your medication, don't get behind the wheel. Use public transport to get to your destination. The government offer advice and also has a list of prescribed medications you are not allowed to drive with, visit www.gov.uk/drug-driving-law.
- Don't stop taking your medication. This tip may seem obvious but some motorists may choose the convenience and luxury of driving over health. Ask your healthcare professional if an alternative is available and if not, plan around not being mobile.
- Remember some untreated medical conditions and allergies will also affect your ability to drive. The itchy streaming eyes often caused by hay fever can make driving hazardous, add to that a sneezing fit and you are a real danger. Manage your symptoms and avoid driving when this is at its worst. Pollen eases in the evening.

Richard said: "The legislation in relation to driving with prescription drugs is there for all of our protection. More so than any other impairment, drivers find themselves falling foul of the effects of their prescribed medication by making a decision to take a chance. It is often through lack of knowledge that they find themselves in this position. If you are taking medication check what the side effects are or might be and plan accordingly."

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Introducing the new Peugeot 308

The New PEUGEOT 308, due to hit UK roads in September, is the most connected and safest yet with a range of technology and styling enhancements for the 2018 model year.

In a class driven by connectivity, New PEUGEOT 308 customers benefit from a 9.7" capacitive touchscreen which puts the key functions of the interior safely at the fingertips of the driver. From dual zone climate control to 3D Connected Navigation with TomTom Live updates.

The new infotainment system incorporates Mirror Screen®, comprising Mirrolink®, Apple CarPlay™ and Android Auto functionality, allowing the seamless integration of smartphone functions with the interface, ensuring drivers safely access functions as required.

Driving aids make New PEUGEOT 308 one of the safest cars in its class

Benefitting from all of the driving aids of the globally acclaimed all-new PEUGEOT 3008 SUV, PEUGEOT's family hatchback and SW now offer intelligent Speed Limit Recognition, Adaptive Cruise Control, with stop functionality and an Active Blind Spot Monitoring System.

PEUGEOT's Speed Limit Recognition offers a new level of intelligence. A windscreen-located camera reads speed limit signs and displays them on the car's dashboard. Signs for specific vehicles, such as HGVs, are filtered from the information feed.

The option of Adaptive Cruise Control with Stop function detects vehicles in front of the car and adjusts the speed automatically using the brakes to retain a safe distance. An Active Blind Spot Monitoring System also alerts the driver to the presence of another vehicle in the blind spot to avoid any potential danger. City Park, a smart park assist system completes the safety and convenience offering.

New Euro 6 compliant petrol and diesel engines

Under the bonnet, the New PEUGEOT 308 offers a new range of engines which are all compliant with strict Euro 6 regulations. The award winning three-cylinder PureTech petrol engine has been upgraded for the new model year, and is coupled with a new six-speed manual gearbox for improved efficiency and control. At-exhaust emission controls on the engine are designed for efficient pollution reduction; high-precision injection control on the 1.2L PureTech 130 Stop&Start engine enhances combustion efficiency: exhaust gases pass through a catalytic converter followed by a passive-regeneration particle filter.

The New PEUGEOT 308 is also the first PSA Group model to adopt the new 1.5L BlueHDi 130 S&S diesel engine, a four-cylinder unit that also implements at-source and at-exhaust emission control. Tested under competition conditions at the 24-hour Le Mans event, the engine also adds an SCR (Selective Catalytic Reduction) pollution control system.

The new eight-speed automatic transmission coupled with the 2.0L BlueHDi 180 Stop&Start completes the new engine range, while the New PEUGEOT 308 GTi by PEUGEOT SPORT is powered by a 270 PS THP Stop&Start unit, enabling 0-62 mph in just 6.0 seconds with CO_2 emissions of just 139g/km.

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County Champ D1	Pld	Pts
Essex	5	68
Surrey	5	67
Hampshire	6*	66
Yorkshire	5	66
Lancashire	5	54
Middlesex	4*	37
Warwickshire	5*	28
SOMERSET	5*	24

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RL 50 over Cup	Pld	Pts
Essex	8	14
SOMERSET	8	11
Surrey	8	9
Glamorgan	8	8
Sussex	8	8
Hampshire	8	7
Gloucestershire	8	7
Middlesex	8	6
Kent	8	2

Devon B 1st XI	Pld	Pts
Bideford	5	84
Ipplepen	5	83
Shobrook Park	5	80
Tavistock	5	76
Abbotskerswell	5	68
SEATON	5	59
Barton	5	56
Filleigh	5	51
Thorverton	5	43
OTTERY St MARY	5	27

Devon C (e) 1st XI	Pld	Pts
FENITON	5	85
Cullompton	5	81
Clyst Hydon	5	71
Clyst St George	5	62
Whimple	5	61
KILMINGTON	5	56
Alphington	5	49
Countess Wear	5	49
Braunton	5	34
UPLYME & LR	5	27

Devon D (e) 1st XI	Pld	Pts
Kentisbeare	5	97
Barnstaple & Pilton	5	86
Halberton & SP	5	74
UPOTTERY	5	72
CHARDSTOCK	5	71
HONITON	5	58
Tiverton	5	53
Topsham St James	5	42
AXMINSTER	5	35
Woodbury & NSC	5	26

Division A 2nd XI	Pld	Pts
Paignton	5	95
Bideford	5	85
Sandford	5	85
Barton	5	84
Abbotskerswell	5	52
Plymstock	5	47
OTTERY St MARY	5	44
Heathcoat	5	41
Braunton	5	19
Lewdown	5	12

Div B (e) 2nd XI	Pld	Pts
Hatherleigh	4	80
Alphington	5	69
Thorverton	4	64
SEATON	4	61
Chudleigh	5	52
Sidmouth	5	52
Shobrook Park	4	29
Clyst Hydon	5	21
Bradninch	4	17

Div C (e) 2nd XI	Pld	Pts
HONITON	5	94
UPOTTERY	5	84
Barnstaple & Pilton	5	72
Exeter	5	72
Whimple	5	69
Kentisbeare	5	56
KILMINGTON	5	55
North Devon	5	46
UPLYME & LR	5	38
Halberton & SP	5	15

Div D (e) 2nd XI	Pld	Pts
Cullompton	5	98
Countess Wear	5	82
Filleigh	5	74
FENITON	5	59
OTTERY St MARY	5	55
AXMINSTER	5	52
Woodbury & NSC	5	50
Exwick	5	32
Thorverton	5	30
Topsham St James	5	7

Tolchards Drinks Devon League RESULTS - Division B

Abbotskerswell 237-8 (C Mitchell 80, C Hill 41; J E Martin 3-29), Barton 102 (J E Martin 45; E Adams 4-23), Abbotskerswell (20pts) beat Barton (six) by 135 runs.

Tavistock 263-6 (D Manning 115, I Gray 76), Filleigh 171 (M Prideaux 46). Tavistock (20pts) beat Filleigh (seven) by 92 runs.

Ipplepen 163 (J Lewis 31, D Harris 31, S deFriend 31; T Mitchell 4-45, J.Seward 4-18), Seaton 164-6 (M Hewer 33*, J Seward 62; W Gornall 3-55), Seaton (20pts) beat Ipplepen (seven) by four wickets.

Ottery St Mary 146 (H Conway 38, A Clements 28, R Crabb 22; C James 5-33, C Simpson 4-28), Shobrooke Park 147-5 (C Simpson 74; J Birch 2-27). Shobrooke (20pts) beat Ottery (five) by five wickets.

Thorverton 103 (J Lathwell 3-17, J Atkinson 3-26), Bideford 104-4 (P Heard 30*). Bideford (20pts) beat Thorverton (four) by six wickets.

C East

Uplyme & Lyme Regis 155-8 (M Batey 72*, L Gorfine 26, K Sercombe 3-18) Clyst Hydon 156-5 (I Sutton 52, R Batagodage 27; S Wooster 2-48), Clyst (19pts) beat Uplyme (five) by five wickets.

Countess Wear 187 (K Dias 36; L Lorenzen 3-46, L Witton 3-39), Whimple 188-7 (L Lorenzen 64,; K Dias 3-39). Whimple (20pts) beat Countess Wear (seven) by three wickets.

Kilmington 112 (T Gooding 29; T Gwandu 3-16), Cullompton 114-5 (J Dienes 34*; O Reed 2-18). Cullompton (19pts) beat Kilmington (four) by five wickets.

Braunton 149-9 (P James 47*; T Ballet 4-29), Alphington 150-3 (N Halse 43, L Phillips 41). Alphington (19pts) beat Braunton (four) by seven wickets.

Feniton 245-8 (M Salter 34, C May 35, M Kingdon 60, A Frankpitt 45), Clyst SG 178. Feniton (20 points) beat Clyst (eight) by 67 runs.

D East

Barnstaple & Pilton 204-6 (J Moore 80, G McEndoo 59; D Field 2-54, A Wraight 2-40), Axminster 164 (P Miller 35, D Field 34, A Watson 26). Barnstaple (20pts) beat Axminster (seven) by 40 runs.

Tiverton 148 (D Williams 34; M House 4-29), Kentisbeare 149-2 (P Tatterton 64*). Kentisbeare (20pts) beat Tiverton (four) by eight wickets.

Topsham St James 123 (R Treleaven 42*, P Tasker 4-29). Upottery 124-3 (R Tasker 91*). Upottery (20pts) beat Topsham (four) by seven wickets.

Halberton & SP 254-6 (L Hooper 50, R Durrant 50, B Latchem 50), Honiton 212 (P Matravers 79, J Geary 30). Halberton &SP (20pts) beat Honiton (eight) by 42 runs.

Chardstock 282-4 (S Parris 139, J Pyman 40*, J Jones 3-35). Woodbury & Newton Cyres 99 (R Pyman 3-17). Chardstock (20pts) beat Woodbury NSC (four) by 183 runs.

2nd XI A

Bideford 176 (J Ford 49; G Lewis 3-44, J Fawcett 3-43), Sandford 178-6 (R Millar 48*; M Stewart 3-28). Sandford (20pts) beat Bideford (seven) by four wickets.

Abbotskerswell 94 (K Rich 37; C Harford 4-33, A Lipton 3-21), Barton 98-3 (I Jarman 37). Barton (20pts) beat Abbotskerswell (three) by seven wickets.

Heathcoat 258-9 (S Sobczak 89, P Elliott 77; J Malden 4-30), Ottery 100 (J K Tierney 23; M Hodson 5-28). Heathcoat (20pts) beat Ottery (six) by 158 runs.

Plymstock 304-2 (J Sumner 153, M Woodward 75*), Braunton 101 (R Letheran 50; T Mitch 6-24,). Plymstock (20pts) beat Braunton (three) by 204 runs.

Paignton 147 (J Woodcock 64; J Williams 4-44), Lewdown 101 (P Taylor 35; R Medlock 3-18). Paignton (18pts) beat Lewdown (seven) by 46 runs.

2nd XI B East

Bradninch 70-9 (A Wilson 3-22), Alphington 71-3 (J Mills 38). Alphington (18 points) beat Bradninch (two) by seven wickets.

Sidmouth 3rds 132 (A Hayward 3-25), Chudleigh 136-5 (S Plumb 45; J Fowler 3-29, L Raistrick 2-35). Chudleigh (2 pts) beat Sidmouth (five) by five wickets.

Seaton 198-7 (O Aplin 52, E Driver 30, E Hunt 26, D Turner 26, O Pinnock 22), Clyst Hydon 103 (T Doulton 3-19, I Hunt 2-9, N.Waterhouse 2-12, J Pinnock 2-19). Seaton (19pts) beat Clyst Hydon (five) by 95 runs.

Hatherleigh 241-3 (E Jones 116, S Weale 68), Shobrooke 75. Hatherleigh (20pts) beat Shobrooke Park (two) by 166 runs.

■ **MIDTABLE:** The Honiton 1st XI which is handily placed in seventh place in the Tolchards Drinks Devon League Division D. Line-up, standing from left; Dave Kelly (umpire), Rob Ingram, Adam Holmes, Andy Canniford, Dave Haysom, Rowan Symonds, Richard Hill. Front; Ben Kidson, Mike Docherty, Tom Strawbridge captain, Kieran Conway, Pete Matravers.

2nd XI C East

Exeter 3rds 220-9 (T Taylor 44; C Holm 3-68), Barnstaple & Pilton 210-9 (J Hastie 54*; Z Johns 4-39). Exeter (19pts) beat Barnstaple & Pilton (nine) by 10 runs.

Honiton 178 (J Hext 65, A Brinsford 27; F Harding 5-42), Halberton & SP 154 (Corey Lapping 3-31, I Kelly 3-35, R Hill 2-34). Honiton (19pts) beat Halberton & SP (eight) by 24 runs.

Kilmington 220-8 (S Cook 83, S Perry 62), Kentisbeare 224-1 (J Sprague 118, A Ogden 76*). Kentisbeare (19pts) beat Kilmington (five) by nine wickets.

Uplyme & Lyme Regis 108 (R Thom 20, B Taylor 20; C Ford 4-7), North Devon 3rds 109-3 (R D Matthews 2-31). North Devon (20pts) beat Uplyme & Lyme Regis (three) by seven wickets.

Upottery 233-9 (S Drew 62, M Frost 35*, G Kennard 33; J Burden 4-48, H McNamara-Campbell 3-40), Whimple 62 (G Kennard 3-16, A Salter 5-27, M Frost 2-11). Upottery (20pts) beat Whimple (five) by 171 runs.

2nd XI D East

Axminster 186 (A Layard 56, D Hurst 61, K Hurst 21; R Kingdom 6-20), Feniton 98 (R Kingdom 25; M Chenery 4-15, Jenny Poole 2-24, R Helston 2-2). Axminster (19pts) beat Feniton (seven) by 88 runs.

Topsham St James 130 (O Smith 3-14, M Tyler 3-11), Countess Wear 135-1 (A May 90*). Countess Wear (20pts) beat Topsham St J (three) by nine wickets.

Cullompton 206-6 (R McManus 51, E Tinley 74), Thorverton 3rds 165 (L Vekusic 42, P Jordan 40; N Vincent 4-42). Cullompton (20pts) beat Thorverton (seven) by 41 runs.

Filleigh 180 (J Tyson 34, S Prosser 40; M Priddle 4-28, D Jenkins 3-31), Exwick 74 (D Squire 3-9,). Filleigh (19pts) beat Exwick (six) by 106 runs.

Woodbury & Newton St Cyres 115 (R Craib 5-15, O Pugsley 2-13), Ottery St Mary 3rds 118-2 (B Flicker 50*). Ottery St Mary (20pts) beat Woodbury & NSC (three) by eight wickets.

FIXTURES

FRIDAY

SPECSAVERS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP, Division one: (11am – Day One of four) Somerset v Yorkshire.

SATURDAY

ICC Champions Trophy: England v Australia (Edgbaston; 10.30 am).

SPECSAVERS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP, Somerset v Yorkshire.

Tolchards Drinks Devon League

B Division: Abbotskerswell v Bideford, Barton v Filleigh, Shobrooke Park v Ipplepen, Tavistock v Seaton, and Throverton v Ottery St Mary.

C Division (E): Braunton v Uplyme & Lyme Regis, Clyst St George v Clyst Hydon, Cullompton v Countess Wear, Kilmington v Alphington, and Whimple v Feniton.

D Division (E): Axminster Town v Woodbury & Newton St Cyres, Halberton & Sampford Peverell v Chardstock, Kentisbeare v Upottery, Tiverton v Honiton, and Topsham St James v Barnstaple & Pilton.

2nd XI A Division: Bideford v Abbotskerswell, Lewdown v Braunton, Ottery St Mary v Sandford, Paignton v Heathcoat, and Plymstock v Barton.

2nd XI B Division (E): Alphington v Sidmouth, Clyst Hydon v Shobrooke Park, Hatherleigh v Throverton, and Seaton v Bradninch.

2nd XI C Division (E): Barnstaple & Pilton v Whimple, Honiton v Kilmington, North Devon v Exeter, Uplyme & Lyme Regis v Halberton & Sampford Peverell, and Upottery v Kentisbeare.

2nd XI D Division (E): Countess Wear v Cullompton, Feniton v Topsham St James, Filleigh v Throverton, Newton St Cyres v Axminster Town, and Ottery St Mary v Exwick.

SUNDAY

Somerset v Yorkshire.

Devon Womens' League, Division One: Axminster Town v Plymouth,

angling

Dennis Retter

HONITON Sea Angling Club memebers are mourning the death of their long standing chairman Dennis Retter from Offwell after a short illness.

Club Secretary Mike Spiller said: "Club members have been devastated with the news. Dennis had helped so many anglers from all over the south west the with his tuition. He managed the England casting team for many years."

■ **SADLY MISSED:** Dennis Retter

tug of war

Nationals at Offwell

ON the weekend of June 17th the Offwell Recreation Ground and Village Hall Charity are hosting **The National Championships** for the English Tug Of War Association.

This event will see teams from all over England do battle of the strongest and fittest for the honour of representing their country in the British and Irish Championships and the European Championships which this year England are hosting in Stockport.

The last time the National Championships were hosted in Devon was in 1996 in Paignton while it was held in Yeovil by Somerset Cadets in 2015.

Although Offwell no longer has a tug of war club, Damien Richards who pulls for Bristol-based Felton Eccles, successfully pitched for Offwell beating three other possible venues in England.

At last year's event there were 20 teams off around 15 members and this has the making of a very large event.

If anyone would like to rent a space for a stall, sponsor the event or for further information, please contact the Secretary of ORG&VHC on 01404831527.

jack high bowls round-up

Chardstock celebrate diamond anniversary

SEATON *with Alan Nicholas*
THE Seaton Ladies team welcomed BUDLEIGH, on Saturday, May 27th in the Grace Matthews Cup with Seaton winning 75-49. Seaton's best individual result was in the 4 wood singles with Maria Johnson winning 21-5.

The following day Seaton defeated tourists ROYAL WOOTTON BASSETT 107-99. Seaton's top rink Norman Stone, Maureen Woolf, Terry Hurley-Smith & Pat Whitworth.

On Monday 29th Seaton twent down 67-59 in East of Exe Mixed League match at CULM VALE. Seaton's best rink was; Carol Armitage, Sue Banwell-Moore, Pat Whitworth & Dave Yardley.

Wednesday, May 31st was a busy day with the Ladies Over 50s Triples League Red team winning 31-29 at ST THOMAS. Seaton's best triple was; Chris Barradell, Sue Banwell -Moore & Lin Allison. The Mens Over 60s A team beat visiting BELMONT A 35-29 and claiming six points. Top triple was; Graham Thomas, Ron Rowley & Les Tooze 25-10.

The B team gained eight points from an away win against TOPSHAM B. Top rink was; Mike Clarke, Norman Stone & Richard Whitworth.

The C team went down 40-26 at WELLINGTON B where Seaton's winning triple was; Glen Elliot, Peter Grigg & Reg Pluck.

Finally, last Thursday Seaton won a friendly at OTTERY ST MARY 92-72. Seaton's top rink was; Margaret Nicholas, Peter Greenwood, Dennis Ridd & Sue Dando 31-17.

FENITON *with Roger Smith*
FENITON had the privilege of hosting a prestigious MIDDLETON CUP Match between Dorset and Cornwall, which Dorset won by a single shot.

In the men's over 60s league the B team defeated CULLOMPTON 36-33. The winning rink was C Maynard, G Phillips & Ro Clarke 19-13.

This was followed by 37-30 win at NORTH TAWTON B. The winning rink was again C Maynard, G Phillips & Ro Clarke 21-9.

The A team lost 38-28 at SIDMOUTH B. The winning rink was D Sanders, P Edmonds & R North 16-13.

The mixed team won the East of Exe League match at HONITON 73-60. The winning rinks were D Downs, A Morgan, R Veitch & I Veitch 24-9 and P Goodwin, S Kury, R Cooke & K Lovering 21-12.

The mixed team also enjoyed a 74-68 success at BRIDPORT. The winning rinks were B Bowden, S Kury & D Coyne 26-10 and A Pritchard, D Faulks & R North 18-14. Unfortunately, they lost 66-51 at UFFCULME.

OTTERY ST MARY
with Mike Smith
OTTERY began the week with a 85-75 win over visitors DUNKESWELL, the best rink was Jill White, Steve Goodenough & skip Terry House 23-11.

The next day Ottery played host to the PLYMOUTH NOMADS who proved too strong winning 128-113.

The first match in the County Trophy was against SIDMOUTH who came away with a 86-65 win, the best Ottery rink was Chris Hawke, Richard Brand, Dave Brown & skip John Ward 21-18.

In the LOFTL the ladies had a good 32-22 win at BUDLEIGH with Skip Terri Ward, Moyra Griffin & Val Kille in good form.

In the men's over 60s league the A team suffered a narrow 36-32 defeat at CULM VALE A, but at home to HEMYOCK A they came away with their first win of the season, taking maximum points with Tony Luff, Steve Hall & skip Terry House having a fine 19-8 victory.

The B team also had a maximum points win at home to HEAVITREE B 41-25, the best rink was Tony Bushell, Norman Lawrence & skip Ray Luscombe 21-11.

The C team went down 33-30 at MARINA C despite an 18-17 win by Charles Jarvis, Brian Salter & skip Fred Dart.

Ottery ended the week with a couple of friendly fixtures; SEATON proved too strong winning 92-72 while the visit of BUDLEIGH resulted in very close match with the home team just winning 92-90, the best rink was Pam Baker, Gerry Beighton & skip Brian Baker 20-10.

HONITON *with Julie Grant*
THE Macmillan campaign GO GREEN was well supported by 46 Honiton bowlers who attended a bowls and BBQ afternoon and raised over £281 for the charity.

Both the men and the ladies won their league games last week. Pinces Gardens men, who had been unbeaten all season were defeated 33-28 by the men's Over 60 A team. The Honiton winners were Wally Heard, Ken Clarke and Ken Large 25-12.

The Ladies Over 50 triples team won on both rinks at Pinces Gardens so gaining maximum points, the top rink was Tracy Lambert, Berry Maynard & Carole Pidgeon 19-10.

The Men's Over 60s B team won 52-30 at Morchard Bishop, winning rink David Tooley, Tony Tooley & Trevor Pipe 38-12.

Away at Sidmouth the Ladies Over 50s team secured a good 40-28 win to gain all six points, top triple were Di Hawkins, Daphne Courtney & Heather Chambers 21-12.

And so to the losses; in the East of Exe mixed League Honiton lost 73-60 to Feniton, best rink being Jimmy Smith, Joan Heard, Barrie Singleton & Gerry Stafrace 18-7.

The men went down 85-72 to Budleigh in the county trophy match, best rink Fred Cowey, Jimmy Smith, Mike Dart & Ken Large 23-12.

The Ladies lost their national Top Club match overall to Torquay by four shots having won two of the four events; Sue Evans 21-11 in the singles and the triple of Berry Maynard, Ann Hillyear & Heather Chambers 20-14.

Then to cap it all the men lost their national two Fours 51-40 against Exonia, the best result was a 24-24 for Peter Baker, Bill Nicholls, Gerry Stafrace & Ken Large. Lastly Honiton lost 91-49 to Bridport in a mixed friendly.

ILMINSTER *with Des Maull*
ILMINSTER men are through to round two of the national double rink after a 46-21 win against TAUNTON A. Details: Tony Peterson, Chris Robinson, Peter Mattravers & Matt Hamilton 20-13; Will Anderson, Alan Holt, Steve Turner & Neil Rowe 26-8. Ilminster will play Yeovil A in the next round.

In the County League the B team suffered a 69-45 at EASTOVER PARK. Details: Des Maull, John Osborne, Ken Giles & Barry Sims 16-17; Steve Webster, Roger Lench, Rod Parkin & Eric Keitch 15-23; Steve Peasland, Sam Webster, Derek Bassett & Rowland Garland 14-29. Eastover Park 12pts Ilminster 0.

Meanwhile, the C TEAM played the D TEAM with the C team winning on all rinks. Details (C teams first): Brian Welch, Ian Dunford, Roy Orme & Dave Crouch 30 Edward Bidgood, Robert Clarke, Bill Bailey & Eddie Hadfield 9; Kevin Crouch, Mark Davies, Briane Davies & Dave Pugh 24 Danny Whaites, Derek Coates, Robert Madden & Eric Turner 9; Colin Osborne, Pete Bloomfield, Dave Hall & Eddie Reid 26 Jeff Lock, Julian Smith, Derek Carter & Dave Cox 8. C team 12pts D team 0.

In the Wessex Mixed Triples League KO cup SHERBORNE were the opposition with two rinks home and two away with Ilminster winning 86-63 overall. Details: Away Val Dargue, Barry Sims & Chris Robinson 12-23; Christine Davies, Dave Pugh & Ken Giles 19-21; Home, Sam Wall, Dave Crouch & Levi Hembrow 30-14; Monica Woodland, Rowland Garland & Ian Lightfoot 25-15.

In the Wessex League Ilminster went down 90-50 at SHAFTSBURY. Details: Oli Collins, Norma Pugh & Maureen Mitchell 13-14; Sarah Lightfoot, Christine Davies & Briane Davies 9-23; Ann Eckley, Pete Bloomfield & Eddie Reid 21-18; Bill Bailey, K Turner & Monica Woodland 7-35. Ilminster 2pts Shaftesbury 10.

CHARDSTOCK
with Vaughan Fletcher
CHARDSTOCK club is celebrating it's 60th Anniversary.

In recognition of the occasion Shirley Fletcher baked a commemorative cake which was presented to the club on the day of our annual Silver Jubilee Cup Competition - sponsored by John Williamson & Sons of Chardstock - was won by Simon Hatcliffe, Alan Waddington & Arthur Callagan and the runners up were Norman Denslow, Nicky Mugridge & Mike Copp.

On the Bank Holiday Monday the club held its annual Battle of the Sexes competition with the men's team running out winners by 16 shots.

Recent results:
Exeter & Dist Over 60s Triples League:
Chardstock A 50 CREDITON A 15; P Compton, M Toms & N Denslow 31-5
V Fletcher, K Wakelin & J Porter 19-10.
Chardstock B 12 BELMONT B 52; D Eldridge, P Woods & J Tucker 7-23, J Keats, B Howard & J Marks 5-29.

Devon County Section 3 Foxlands Trophy; Chardstock 33 PHEAR PARK 34 - Home: K Wakelin, B Howard, J Rolph & M Toms 19-16. Away: A Dredge, G Bodily, T Dredge & J Porter 14-18

Friendlies:
Chardstock Ladies 80 SOUTH PETHERTON 37; D Emery & S Jeffery 16-10, R Pratt & E Rolph 26-3, P Baldwin & A Dredge 22-12, J Porter & G Campbell 16-12.
Chardstock 56 BRIDPORT 74; P Waddington, A Dredge, S Hatcliffe 14-12, A Waddington, R Pratt, S Jeffrey 18-19, C Bradford, D Emery, J Marks 10-23, J Pratt, D Hatcliffe, E Rolph 14-20.
Chardstock 62 UFFCULME 65; A Waddington, T Dredge, A Dredge 19-14, D Hatcliffe, E Rolph, S Jeffery 19-15, C Bradford, D Emery, S Hatcliffe 14 -16, P Waddington, J Marks, J Rolph 11-20.

MERRIOTT *with Jean Crisp*
MERRIOTT lost their first triples game of the season 71-65 on Saturday, May 27th in a four-rink friendly at CHARD.

Rink scores: C.Truscott, C.Woods & P.Williams 23 S.Fowler 13. A.Truscott, P.Melson & D.Heathcote 18 C.Small 15. R.Self, B.Dibble & F.Bull 12 A.White 21. N.Whitfield, J.Crisp & A.Williams 12 M.Wakeling 22.

The following day another four-rink friendly was played, at home against ILMINSTER with Merriott enjoying a good 85-57 win, rink scores: I.Kendall, P.Melson, B.Dibble & D.Lewsey 17 D.Pugh 17. J.Parsons, C.Woods, J.Ashby & F.Bull 23 E.Reid 12. C.Parsons, E.Rush, S.Nuttall & J.Booth 11 D.Crouch 21. D.Baker, C.Warnett, S.Howson-Green & M.Allen 34 M.Mitchell 7.

Last Tuesday evening Merriott defeated CREWKERNE 79-61 in a league match; rink scores: J.Parsons, P.Stow, C.Warnett & D.Heathcote 20 J.Smith 12. D.Baker, I.Kendall, J.Ashby & E.Rush 18 B.Murdock 19. R.Self, C.Woods, M.Allen & P.White 27 M.Harwood 9. C.Parsons, N.Whitfield, T.Jones & A.Truscott 14 D.Wallis 21.

CHARD *with Peter Avery*
CHARD enjoyed a very successful month winning eight of the it's 10 friendlies matches.

There was also a strong start to last week's matches with a 76-60 home win over TAUNTON VIVARY; Roy Vaux, Glenn Berry & Stan Fowler 23-16; Fred Ward, Peter Avery & Maurice Wakeling 13-12; Maureen Fenwick, Bill Hucker & Mike Nichols 21-12; Pauline Small, Keith Johnson & Clive Small 19-20.

The next match was in the Wessex League Cup against SOUTH PETHERTON; the format is two rinks on each team's green; both teams won away by three shots and the tie was settled by an extra end which Chard won.

The exciting conclusion to this cup-tie was undoubtedly the highlight of the week: Teresa Pinder, Fred Ward & Barry Pinder 16-19; Janet Bodily, Glenn Berry & Stan Fowler 16-16; Doug Hislop, Barbara Ball & Maurice Wakeling 13-16; Barbara Nichols, Peter Avery & Mike Nichols 18-12 plus extra end.

The following day's visit to SHERBORNE in the Wessex mixed-triples league resulted in a heavy 83-47 defeat.

SEVERALLS *with Pru Robbins*
ON Sunday, May visitors SHEPTON MALLETT came out on top 89-69 in a Wessex Mixed Friendly League Match. Rink Scores; L.McLaren, A.McLaren & R.Radford 10-27. M.Robins, P.Patel H.Leamon & D.Rees 22-13. A.Brolly, C.Pocock, T.Robins & R.Devney 21-27. C.Phinn, N.Austin, D.Brolly & T.Cannon 16-22.

■ **HAVE A GO:** Crewkerne Bowling Club held a very successful open day recently. Many people of varying ages turned up to try their hand with guidance from the Club's coaches. Coaching sessions are still available every Friday from 6.15pm, contact Kay on 01460 241383 for more details

running extra

■ **ON YOUR MARKS:** The Honiton Running Club members pictured before the start of the weekend's 12th running of the ever-popular Umborne Ug race.

angling ilminster aa

Field skims to top spot

THERE were lots of close weights in round three of Ilminster AA's Summer League at Dillington on Sunday, Graham Field came out on top in the 18 anglers with 16lb 8oz of bream and skimmers on the short pole from peg 9.

Jeff Sparkes (2nd) also had bream on peg 7 for 13lb 14oz while John Dursley was third with 13lb 10oz of skimmers on the feeder. There were section wins went to Alvin Jones with 10lb 8oz from peg 4 and Jess Jordan with 11lb 9oz from peg 24.

The next match is on Sunday, June 18th - the draw is at Ilminster Bowling Club between 8.30 and 9am, names to Rob Cox please.

Left Division	Pld	GD	Pts
Toucans Chicks	2	69	6
Hi Q	2	58	6
F & P Panthers	2	36	6
Signs SW	2	3	6
Otter Valley	2	1	4
Tornados	2	-21	3
Pixies	2	-19	2
Tip Top Trees	2	-26	2
HoneyZ	2	-52	1
Swaggermamas	2	-49	0

Right Division	Pld	GD	Pts
Flamingos	2	37	6
Beer Blazers	2	29	6
JD Tyres	2	20	6
HNC Hot Shots	2	2	4
Sidmouth Toucans	2	-8	4
Howden Hawks	2	-9	4
Blackdown	2	-9	4
Otters	2	-13	3
High Tide	2	-24	2
Cranbrook Arrows	2	-25	2

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Results; Lamb A 303 (Jo Flint 61) Red Lion A 310 (H Harris 65); New Inn B 320 (Jane Bond, B Meaker 58) Con club 298 (G Smith 66); Red Lion B 348 (B Styles 74) Axe Inn B 358 (P Banner 74); Axe Inn A 325 (A Beer 60) New Inn A 308 (D Hodder 60).

League Table	Pld	Pts
Axe Inn A	4	8
Lamb A	4	6
Red Lion A	4	4
Axe Inn B	4	4
Red Lion B	4	2
New Inn A	4	2
Con Club	4	0

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Div 1: Fishers 1 Kings Arms A 4; Whitford Warriors 1 Axe Cliff B 4; Gerrard Arms B 4 Kingfisher Rebels 1; Ship Castaways 3 Colyton FC 2; Kingfisher A 4 Ship Castaways 1; Kingfisher Rebels 1 Colyton FC 4; Kings Arms A 1 Whitford Warriors 4; Golden Hind B 4 Fishers 1; Golden Hind B v Kingfisher A.

Div 2: Kingfisher Stars 0 New Inn Flyers 5; Beer Mariners 3 Royal Clarence A 2; Royal Clarence B 1 Eyre Court A 4; New Inners 1 Golden Wonders 4; Eyre Court A 4 New Inners 1; Royal Clarence A 4 Royal Clarence B 1; New Inn Flyers 3 Beer Mariners 2; Shipwrecked 3 Kingfisher Stars 2.

Div 3: New White Hart 3 Lamb (mutton) 2; Cloakham Lawns 2 Gerrard Red Balls 3; Axe Cliff Mixed 2 White Hart Movers 3; Lamb Visitors 2 Seaton FC A 3; White Hart Movers 3 Lamb Visitors 2; Gerrard Red Balls 2 Axe Cliff Mixed 3; Lamb mutton 2 Cloakham Lawns 2 (last game rained off); Kings Jesters 3 New White Hart 2.

Division One	Pld	Pts
Fishers	4	15
Gerrard Arms B	4	15
Kingfisher A	3	12
Golden Hind B	3	10
Kingfisher Rebels	4	10
Whitford Warriors	3	8
Axe Cliff B	4	6
Ship Castaways	3	5
Colyton FC	2	2
Kings Arms A	3	2

Division Two	Pld	Pts
Golden Wonders	4	12
New Inners	3	11
Shipwrecked	4	11
Eyre Court A	4	9
New Inn Flyers	3	8
Beer Mariners	3	8
Kingfisher Stars	4	8
Royal Clarence A	3	6
Royal Clarence B	2	2

Division Three	Pld	Pts
New White Hart	4	14
White Hart Movers	4	13
Seaton Town FC A	3	9
Axe Cliff Mixed	3	7
Kings Jesters	2	7
Lamb Visitors	3	7
Cloakham Lawns	4	5
Gerrard Red Balls	3	3
Lamb Mutton	2	4

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Honiton end Axe Cliff's proud record

HONITON *with John Pawley*

THE low cloud which troubled golfers Bank Holiday Monday morning lifted in time for the 36 members who took part in the 666 Trophy competition - mixed event where the first six holes were played as better ball, the next six as greensomes and the final six as foursomes.

The winners were Charlie & Catherine Doherty with 44pts, Allan & Jackie Seager were second with 42 on count-back from Olwen Eaton & John Pawley. There were four two's.

Meanwhile the ladies competed in a Medal competition. The winner of Silver division was Jackie Seager (74), followed by Heather Clarke (76) and Chris Pearce (77).

Bronze One winner was Linda Blundell (71) with Anne Davies second (72). The next three all recorded 73 so had to be separated by count-back. In order they were; Diana Gee, Janet Hughes and Stephani Barnes.

Bronze Two winner was Sheila Palmer (75), followed by Pam Knibb (78) and Danusia White (81). The nine-hole Stableford was won by Catherine Hunt (16pts).

Axe Cliff was the venue for the latest Seniors friendly.

Mike Sennitt's team of did him proud by registering a 4½-1½ victory to end the hosts unbeaten record.

On Friday 62 Seniors competed in their Stableford competition. Division One was won by Dave Morgan with 44 points – earning him a cut to 17. Next came Tony Williams (42) – cut to 12, Alan Devenny (40) cut to 12, with Jim Wallis only fourth (39). Williams got a two on the 2nd and 7th – earning two sets of six balls

Division Two was close, with all four winners on 40 points. Count-back was brought into play which saw George Blake come out on top, and getting his handicap cut to 24 followed by Sydney Martin, Derek Herrington (who also earned a cut to 24) and Mike Delaney. Two's were achieved by George Blake on the 12th, Peter Blake (10th), Bill Eaton, Ray Cavill and John Bevan (all on 2nd).

Elsewhere, the Palairet team defeated Budleigh Town 4.5 to 1.5 at Sidmouth GC to move into the third round.

The Captain's Charity Open on Saturday raised over £600 for Trip and the Memory Cafe. Thanks were given to sponsors Eden Vauxhall Honiton and the Otter Brewery.

With 136 competitors, the winners were Mercy& Steve Lamb from the China Fleet GC, Cornwall with 45 points and the best placed Honiton pair - who won the Mary Goddard Trophy - were Ben Phillips & James Spiller (44).

■ **WINNERS:** Honiton Golf Club President Max Pipe (centre) presents The 666 Trophy to Catherine and Charlie Doherty.

CRICKET ST THOMAS
with Bert Robinson

FIFTY two seniors took part in the Canadian Greensomes tournament last Wednesday when the players select the ball in play after both partners have played two shots.

Subsequently, they play alternate shots and the format is a stableford scoring system.

Result: 1st Stuart Pope & George Wallace 41pts, 2nd Ian Housham & Ray Gudge 40, 3rd Maurice Arnold & Bert Robinson 40.

Twelve members of the match team entertained the Seniors from Weymouth last Friday and avenged their 6-0 thrashing at Weymouth last month with a 4-2 win.

Meanwhile, 33 members entered a three-man Texas scramble.

Result: 1st Ted Bryden; Danny Dowell & Mark Coleman 59.84, 2nd Dave Walgrave; Clive Fisk & Mike Mosser 60.17, 3rd Alan Chance; Des Denning & John Wandless 61.17.

AXE CLIFF *with Peter Motson*

THE Ladies section completed their Axe Cliff 2 stroke play competition despite drizzly and misty weather.

Barbara Cummings won with a nett 74, Helen Gaudie was second (81) on c/b from Sandra Walker.

The Seniors' played the first of four rounds in this year's Masters competition.

Roger Hill and Dave Bruce carded the only 2s. The leader after the first round is Adrian Bishop (HC 22) with a brilliant nett 63. Nick Povey (HC17) is second with nett 68 and Bob Graham (HC 25) is third with a net 70.

Adrian Bishop, Nick Povey and Alan Morgan, have qualified to represent the Club in the DMVGA (Devon Men's Veterans).

Meanwhile, the Seniors were beaten 4.5 to 1.5 by visitors Honiton. This was the first loss at home this season but Honiton were helped by a strong contingent of players from the now defunct Padbrook Park who knew the course well.

The only Axe Cliff win by Dave Bruce & Chris Walker while Bill Polley & Pete Casey managed a half.

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Lenton leads home Umborne field

Axe Valley Runners
with Dave Mutter.

THE 12th running of the UMBORNE UG 10k took place on Saturday at 6pm when there was a record turnout including 39 AVRs.

The race was won by AVR's Tim Lenton in 41:26. Next home was Matt Clist in 42:07 and third was Haldon Trail Runner Matthew Menary, 42:57.

The first lady home was AVR's Flo Swan who just missed out on the ladies' course record by 10 seconds with a time of 47:15 while Clare Hansford (52:15) was third.

The Male Vet' prizes were all won by AVR's: M40+ Chris Perry 45:21, M50 Garry Perratt 43:35, fourth overall and M60 Graham Newton 52:24.

Two of the 3 Female vet' prizes were won by AVR's: F35 Sue Hayes 56:57, F45 Margaret Pearce 58:37.

Other AVR times: Chet Gillespie 45:50,Terry Emmett, last year's winner coming back after injury 46:20, John Blackledge 48:57, Tim Sibley 51:40, Iain Horlock 51:54, Simon D'Albertanson 55:02, Mike Clark 55:22, Alan Morbey 56:24, Tony Smith 56:47, Steve Haines 56:50, Roger Bramley 57:30, Ian Clements 57:46, Richard Jackson 58:47, Andrew Hartnell 60:40, Kelly Stamp 60:39, Anna McLoughlin 61:43, Kevin Feeney 61:55, Steve Lewis 62:11, Nick Adams 64:19, Rachel Grant 64:57, Georgia Dommett 65:12, Sarah Herfet 66:07, Angela Kerr 67:00, Sam Miller 67:11, Richard Matthews 70:21, Henry Smith 72:27, Robert Kerr 74:25, Sandra Mortimer 75:33, Amie Sibley 75:33 and Martin Kerr 77:42.

The 2.5k JUNIOR FUN RUN had 50 runners and was won by AVR's Tom Perry in 10:35, brother Ben Perry 10:45, Peter Johns 12:54. The first girl was AVR's Elsa Wood in 13:19, Caitlyn Sloman 2nd girl 13:51, Madison Carter 3rd 15:16.

Frank Inman from Birmingham won last Saturday's SEATON PARKRUN in 18:50 with Howard Roden, Ware Joggers second, 19:43 and AVR's Amy Greenhalgh first lady and third overall, 20:04.

Chard Road Runners
with Paul Masters

BERNIE Genge and Paul Masters headed off to PRINCETOWN in the heart of Dartmoor for the 32-mile longest single lap ultra road marathon in the UK.

Masters crossed the line in 5:13:14 72nd/200 with Genge 82nd in 5:23:16.

Nine CRR's ran in the Crewkerne 10K on Sunday as part of CRR's Club Championship.

Setting off for an early goal in this race was Dan Cahill who took the 'King of the Hill' challenge being the first person to the top of the first significant hill of the course before eventually crossing the line in third place.

Cahill was followed by Andy Leeson, Kate Beaumont, Matt Baker, Kieron Chapman, James Musselwhite, Hannah Dowling, Helen Baxter and Lizzie Smith *(no times/results at time of report)*

Meanwhile, Rachel Bird, Jim Wagstaff and Martin Holley competed in the WEST BAY STANDARD TRIATHLON consisting of a 1500m sea swim, 47km cycle and a very hilly 10km coastal run to Seatown and back.

Results – Swim; Bird 26m 33s first out, Wagstaff 31.30, Holley in 33.33.

The Cycle leg brought the CRR's closer together with just 90 metres between all three at the transition, into the run.

Holley crossed the line in 3h 14m 23s 10th overall, Bird was 11th in 3.14.43, and Wagstaff 12th in 3.15.23.

Honiton Running Club
with Judy Davey

ON Saturday, 20th May, Sharon Wells took part in the JURASSIC COAST 100km. The runners started from Weymouth at 2am following the coastal path to Exmouth.

At Seaton Sharon was joined by fellow HRC member, Mark Newson who accompanied her on the toughest stretch through to Exmouth before being joined by another HRC runner, Paula Ferris.

A total of 157 walkers and runners started (walkers headed out at 10 pm Friday night), only 95 finished and Sharon was delighted to be included in that number.

On Sunday, 28th May, 400 women came together for the first ever women-only 'WOMEN CAN' marathon on a route taking in glorious coast and countryside in East Devon.

The event marked the 50th anniversary when Kathrine Switzer became the first woman to complete the Boston Marathon in 1967 in defiance of the 'no women' rules.

Judy Davey was first back for HRC coming 12th in 4:13 (1st in her age category). Other results; Paula Ferris 19th in 4:32, Jennie Sleeman 58th 4:58, Clare Melbourne 82nd 5:14, Rachel Hennessey 119th in 5:35, Asilah Jarrald and Anne Carter 123rd in 5:36. There were 205 marathon finishers.

Also taking part were 27 pairs of half marathon runners including HRC pairs Angela Belle and Katherine Tomkins who came 15th in 5:14 and Kathy Layzell and Claire Rouse who came 20th in 5:21.

On Saturday HRC runners were out in force to take part in the UMBORNE UG 10k.

The first HRC runner back was Adam Hennessey who finished 10th in 46:50. Other results; Rod Inglis 15th 50:31, Richard Harvey 17th 51:18, Steve Davey 20th 51:55, Mark Newson 23rd in 52:36, Richard Harris 24th 53:07, Jo Davey 37th 56:53, Pippa Westall 41st 57:51 (first ever cat win). Judy Davey came in just behind Pippa 17 seconds later. Emilie Tones 52nd in 1:01:44, Darren Roberts 57th 1:03:17, Andy Ashford followed 3 places and 17 seconds later just 10 seconds and one place ahead of Sharon Wells. There were 91 finishers.

■ **READY:** Axe Valley Runners pictured before Saturday's Umborne Ug 10k.

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■ **WORTHY CAUSE:** The Macmillan 'Go Green' campaign was well supported by 46 Honiton bowlers who attended a bowls and barbeque afternoon and raised over £281 for the charity.

■ **CHAMPIONS:** The Honiton Hornets hockey team pictured last Tuesday after being presented with the Petroc League Division Two Trophy.

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